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Harriet Parinello
Santa Cruz, CA

UPC MANIA-MAD #198

MORE MAD ESP?—YES!

ZZZzzz

I fell asleep while reading "Stayin' Awake."
Allain Morais
New Brunswick, CANADA

MAD #245

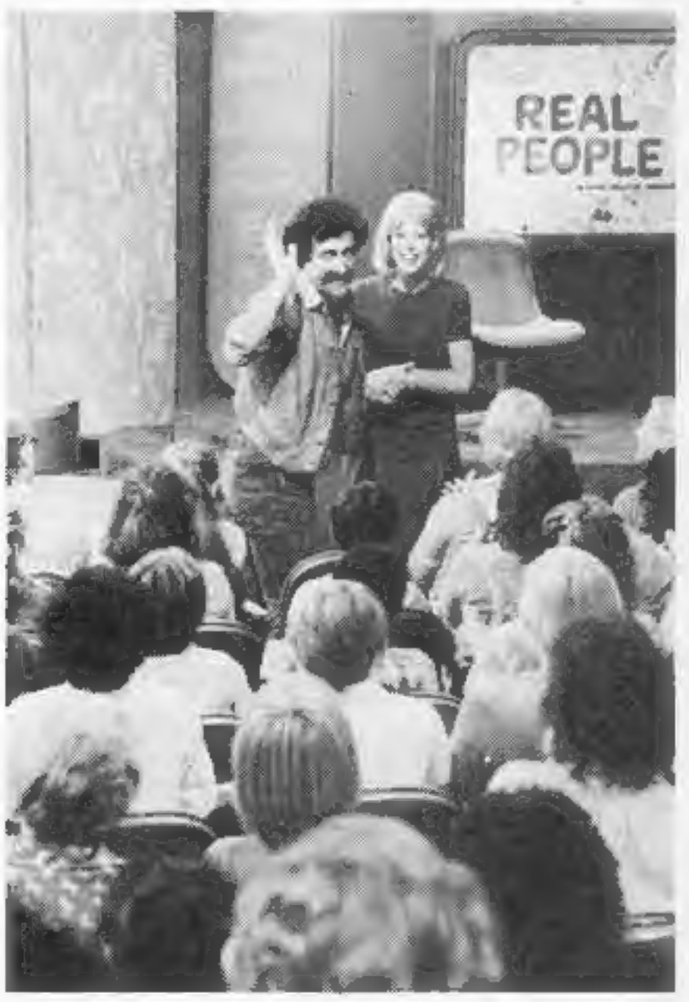
I was very disappointed in the cover of your March issue (MAD #245). I live on a busy highway that has no rest stops. It is all too common to have people peeing in our front yard. There is nothing humorous about anyone of any age peeing anywhere except in a restroom facility. Perhaps you'll send me your home address and I can forward the offensive people we find in our front yard to you!

M.J. Wright
Kyburg, CA

I couldn't believe my ice! I'll bet urine big trouble after the controversial cover of MAD #245, and that snow joke. From now on, you better watch your Pees and Q's before someone gets pissed off.

Eric R.P.
Indianapolis, IN

TV SHOW GOES MAD



Mad Artist/Writer Sergio Aragones was recently featured in a segment of the show "Real People." Above, Sergio is introduced to the studio audience by "Real People" Hostess Sarah Purcell.

WELCOMING IN 1984

Depicting the President of the United States, or any other public figure, as a fool is good, healthy, irreverent fun. Depicting someone urinating on the ground is none of those things. Crass isn't irreverence!

Richard Staum
Brooklyn, NY

Your cover of MAD #245 was just another case of "yellow journalism"!

Allen Arata
Hawthorne, CA

If I was going to rate the cover of MAD #245 on a scale of 1 to 10, I would definitely say that "you're-an-eight"!

Jim Lang
Columbus, OH

Looking at cover #245, I was "relieved" to know that the usual gang of idiots are continuing their superb brand of humor right into '84!

Jack Tutela
Scituate, MA

God only knows how Alfred would have dotted the "i" in Christmas had he extended Christmas salutations last issue!

Jeffrey Lowndes
Scranton, PA

Why didn't anyone claim ownership to the artwork on the cover of MAD #245, which had Alfred demonstrating his artistic talents? And how come I didn't see any yellow paint or paintbrushes?

Michael H. Tavares
E. Taunton, MA

Alfred E. Neumann's "1984" was number one in my book!

Michael Skinner
Emmaus, PA

MAD ANT-ICS

After reading your "MAD Look At Ants" I realized that you forgot one very important one—"Deodor-ant"!

Doug Yellin
Freeport, NY

Deodor-ANT

Adam ANT

You left out the most popular ant of all—"Adam Ant"!

Tom Wells
Long Beach, CA

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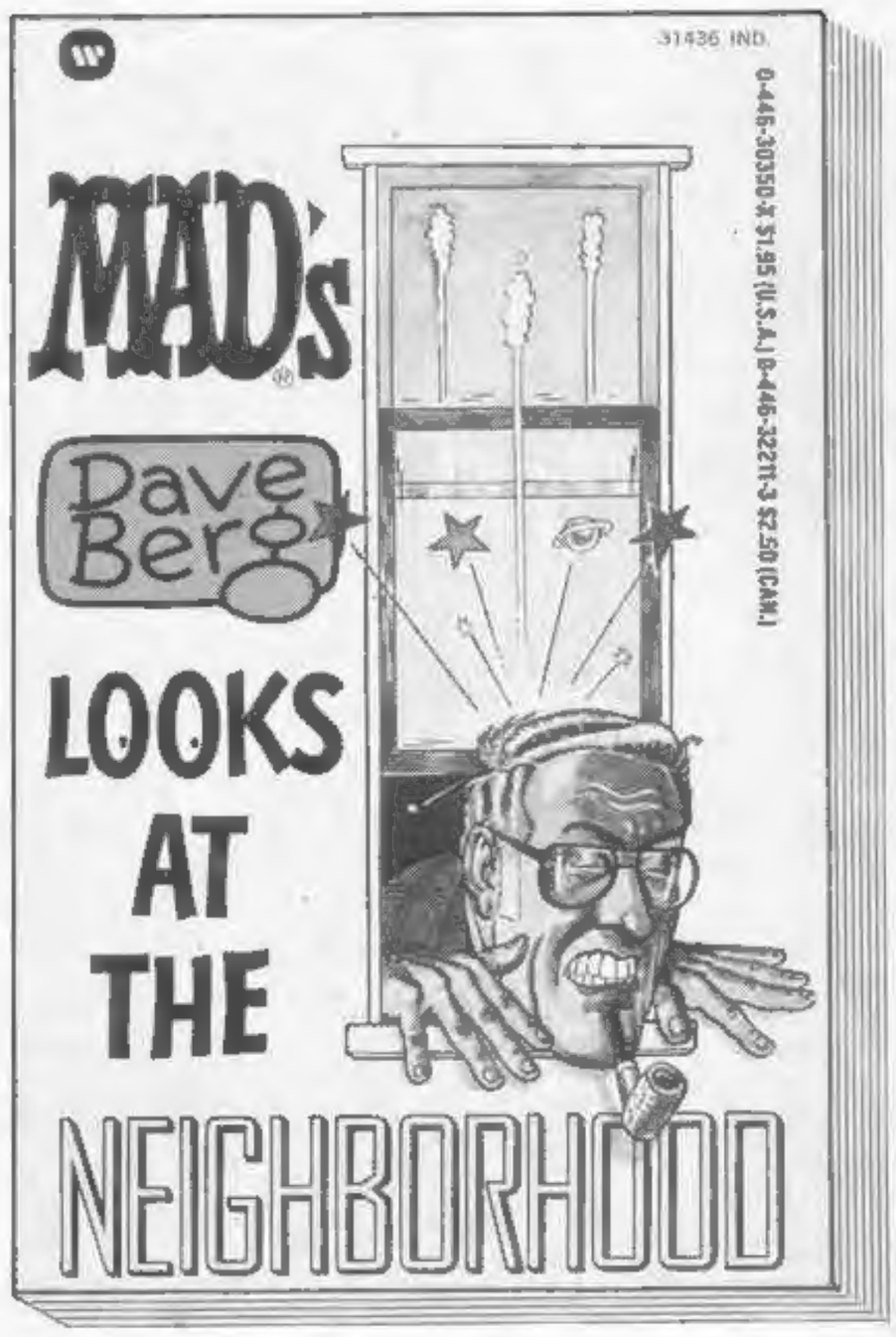

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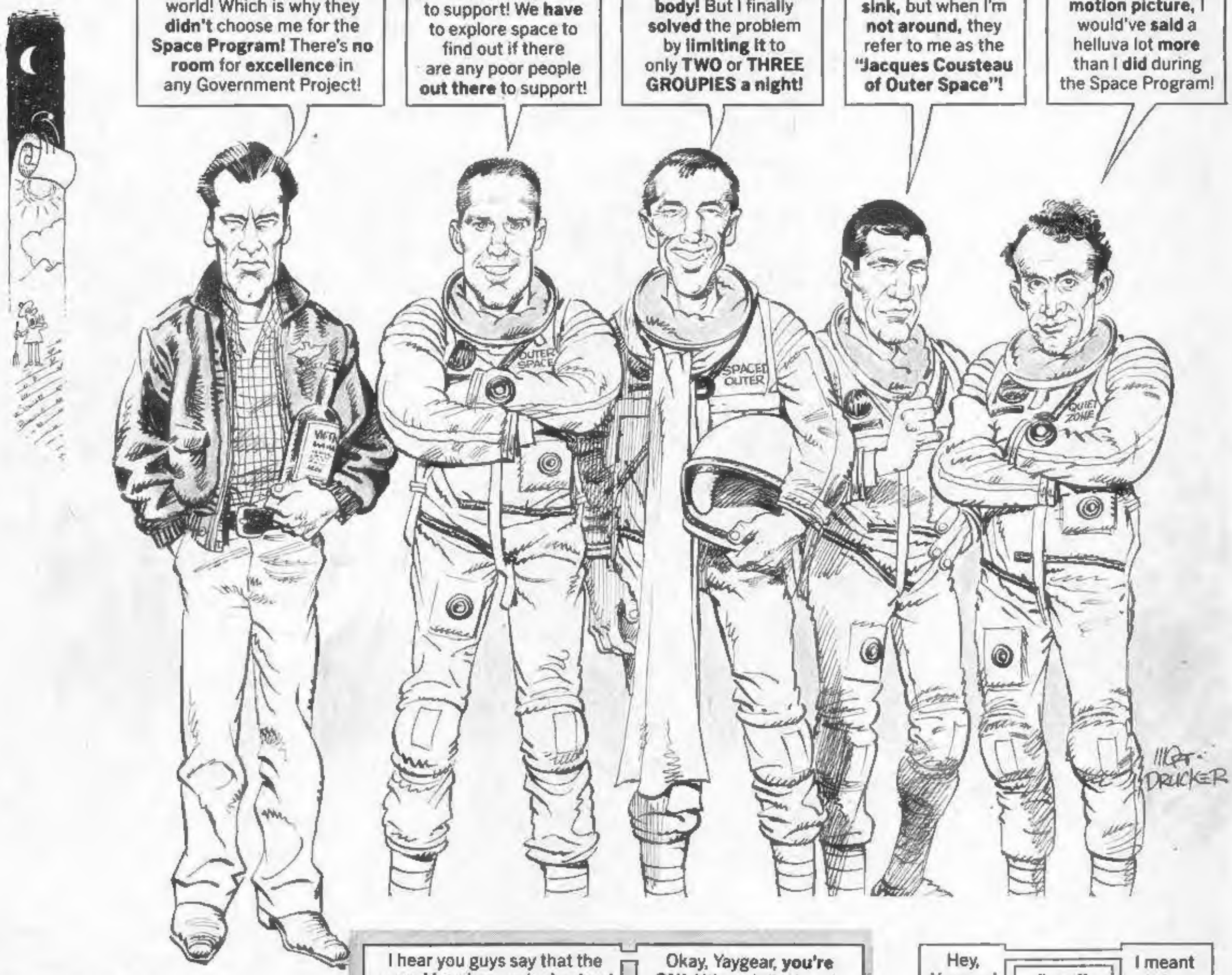
I'm **Chuck Yaygear!** I've been **higher**—and **faster**—than **any man** in the **world!** So much for my **"drinking"** and **"sex"** habits! I'm **also** the **best test pilot** in the world! Which is why they **didn't** choose me for the **Space Program!** There's **no room** for **excellence** in any Government Project!
I'm **Scott Carpentry!** People ask **why** we're spending **billions** to **explore space** when there are so many **poor people** on **Earth** to support! We **have** to explore space to find out if there are any poor people **out there** to support!
I'm **Alan Schlepper!** When I signed up to become an **Astronaut,** I had **no idea** of the kinds of **demands** that would be **made** on my **body!** But I finally **solved** the problem by **limiting it** to only **TWO** or **THREE GROUPIES a night!**
I'm **Gus Gruesome!** I don't know if the **other** guys **hold it against me** for letting my space capsule **sink,** but when I'm **not around,** they refer to me as the **"Jacques Cousteau of Outer Space"!**
I'm **Wally Hurrah!** If I'd **known** they were going to make the **story** of the **Mercenary Astronauts** into a **major motion picture,** I would've **said** a helluva lot **more** than I **did** during the Space Program!
OUTER SPACE
SPACE OUTER
QUIET ZONE
LT. DRUCKER

THE VERY FIRST JET PILOTS BELIEVED THAT A DEMON LIVED IN THE SKY, AND THAT WHEN YOU CAME FACE TO FACE WITH IT, YOUR CONTROLS WOULD FREEZE UP, YOUR INSTRUMENTS WOULD SHATTER AND YOU WOULD POOP IN YOUR PANTS. THEY BELIEVED THAT THIS CREATURE LIVED BEHIND A BRICK WALL CALLED THE "SOUND BARRIER." BUT SOME WERE BRAVE ENOUGH TO GO LOOKING FOR THE DEMON. THESE MEN WERE GIVEN SPECIAL EQUIPMENT CALLED "TEST PLANES" AND SPECIAL INSTRUMENTS CALLED "TEST GAUGES." AND THESE MEN WERE CALLED SPECIAL NAMES— LIKE "IDIOT" AND "SCHMUCK"!

I hear you guys say that the **sound barrier** can be **broken!**
I say it can be **broken** for **$150,000!**
I say it can be **broken**—and **I'll** do it **for free!**
Okay, Yaygear, **you're ON!** Although I'm breaking one of the **cardinal rules** of our Government: **Never** have anything done **for free** when you could pay **$150,000** for it!
Hey, Yaygear! **Where** are you **going?!?**
I'm **off** to **break** the **sound barrier!!**
I meant in an **airplane!** Not on a **horse!**
PANCHO'S
RIDING CLUB
AND LOCAL DIVE

THESE ARE THE MEN THAT THE GOVERNMENT PICKED WHEN THEY WENT LOOKING FOR...

THE RIGHT STIFF

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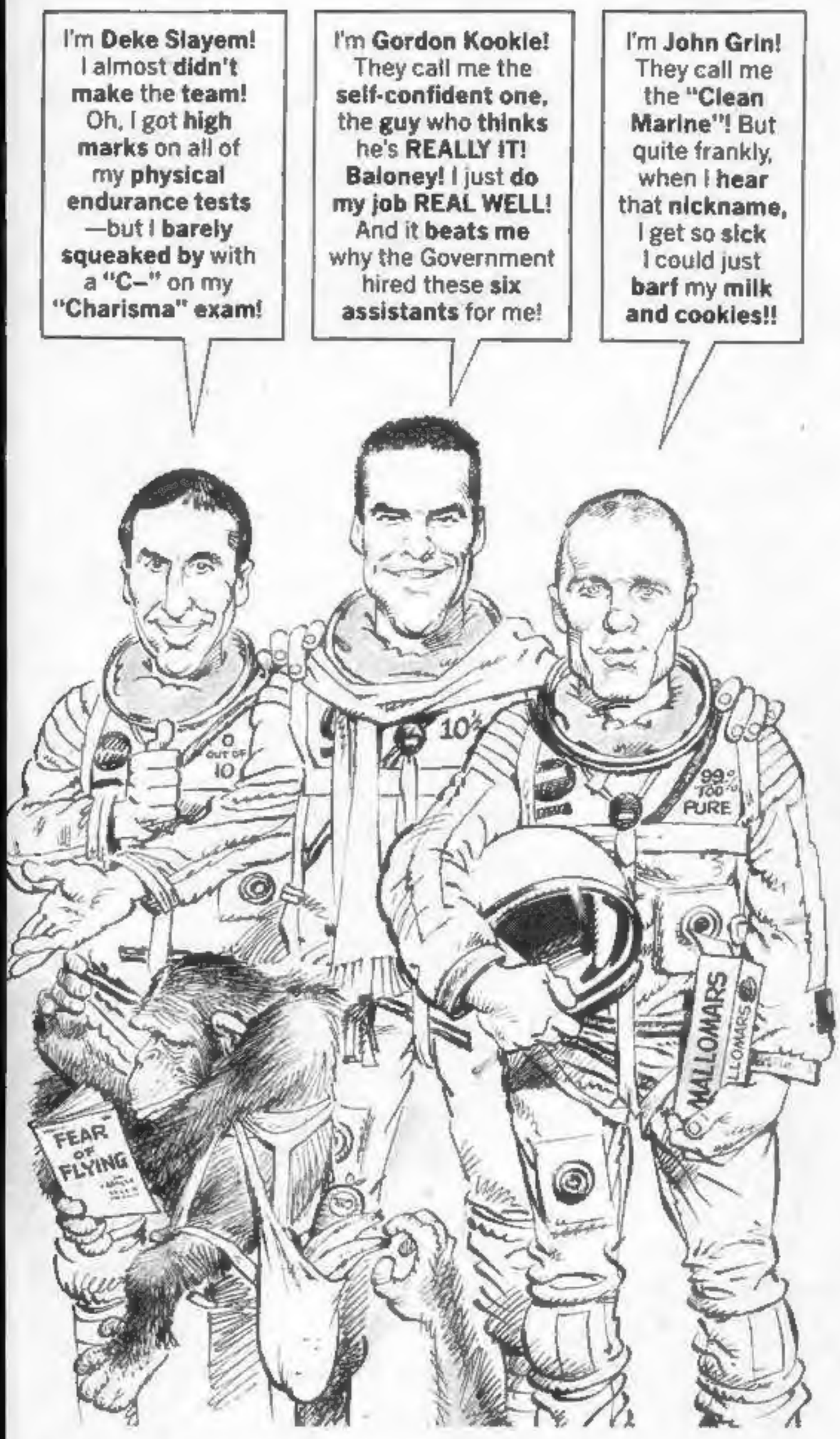
I'm Deke Slayem! I almost didn't make the team! Oh, I got high marks on all of my physical endurance tests —but I barely squeaked by with a "C–" on my "Charisma" exam!
I'm Gordon Kookie! They call me the self-confident one, the guy who thinks he's REALLY IT! Baloney! I just do my job REAL WELL! And it beats me why the Government hired these six assistants for me!
I'm John Grin! They call me the "Clean Marine"! But quite frankly, when I hear that nickname, I get so sick I could just barf my milk and cookies!!
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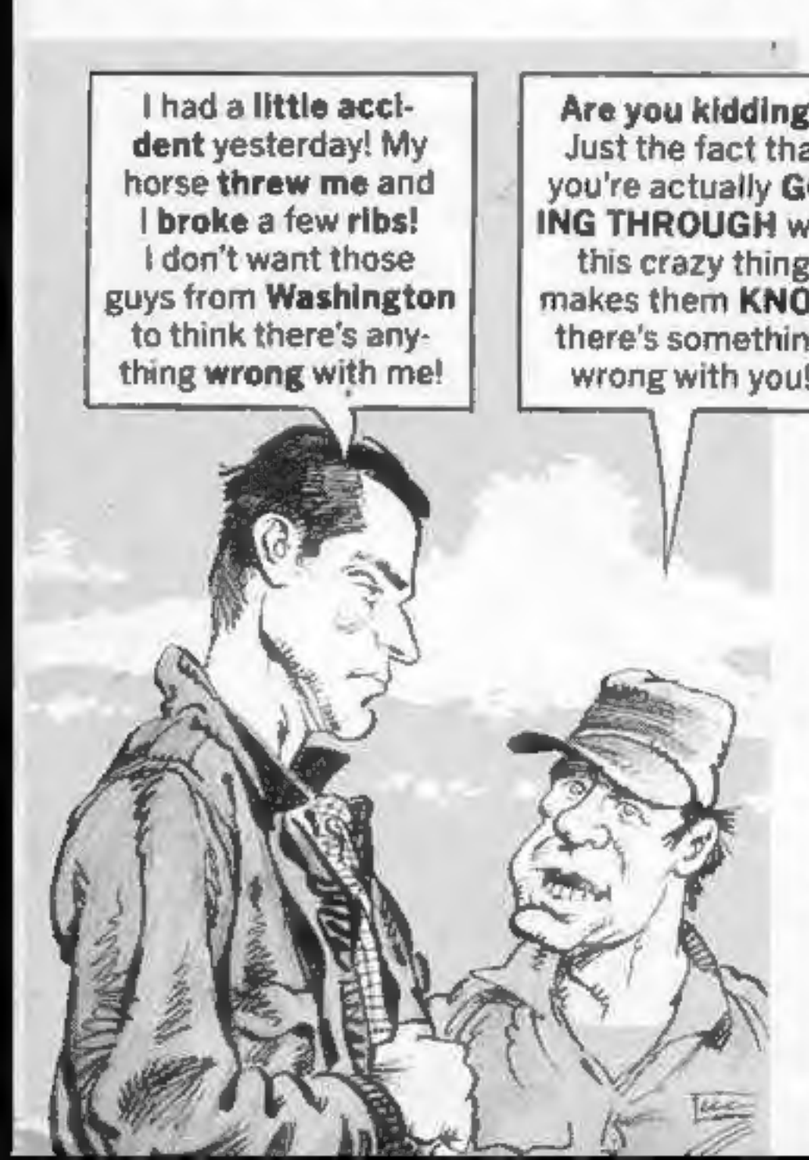
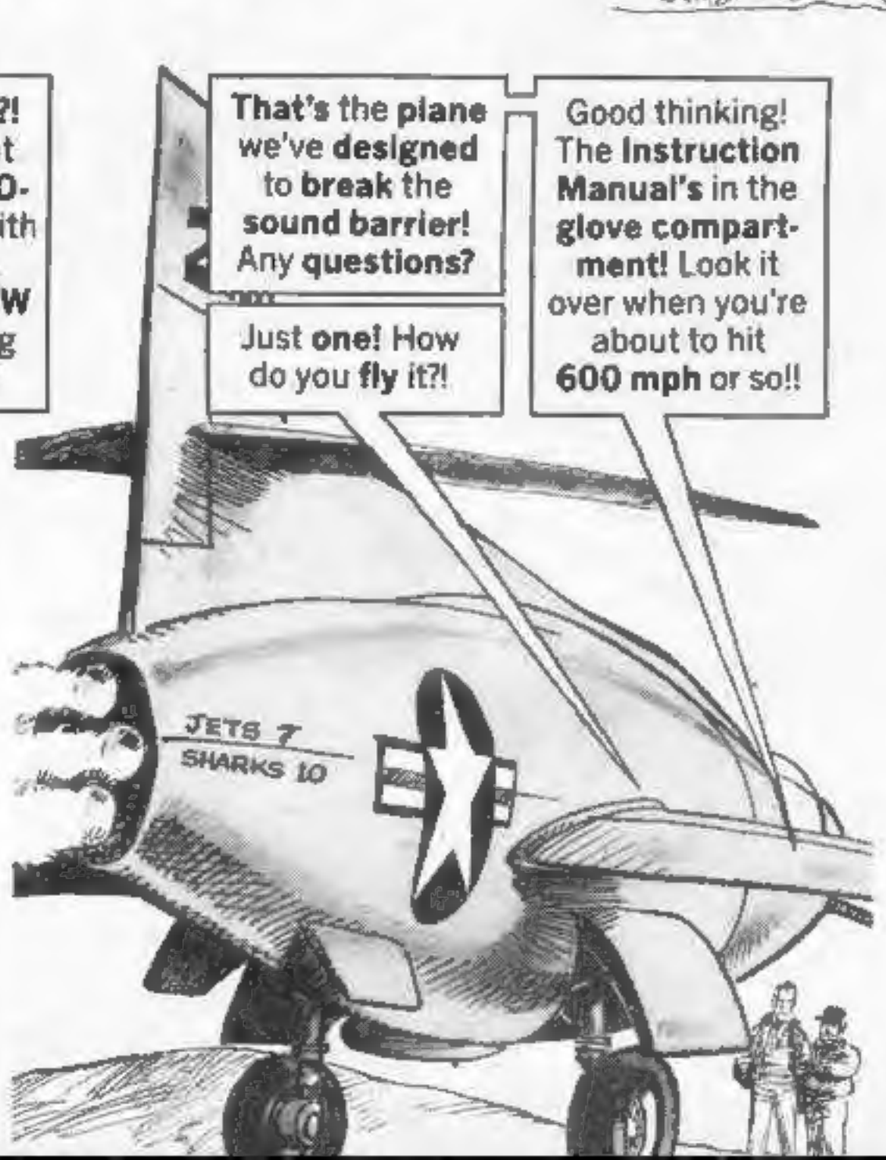
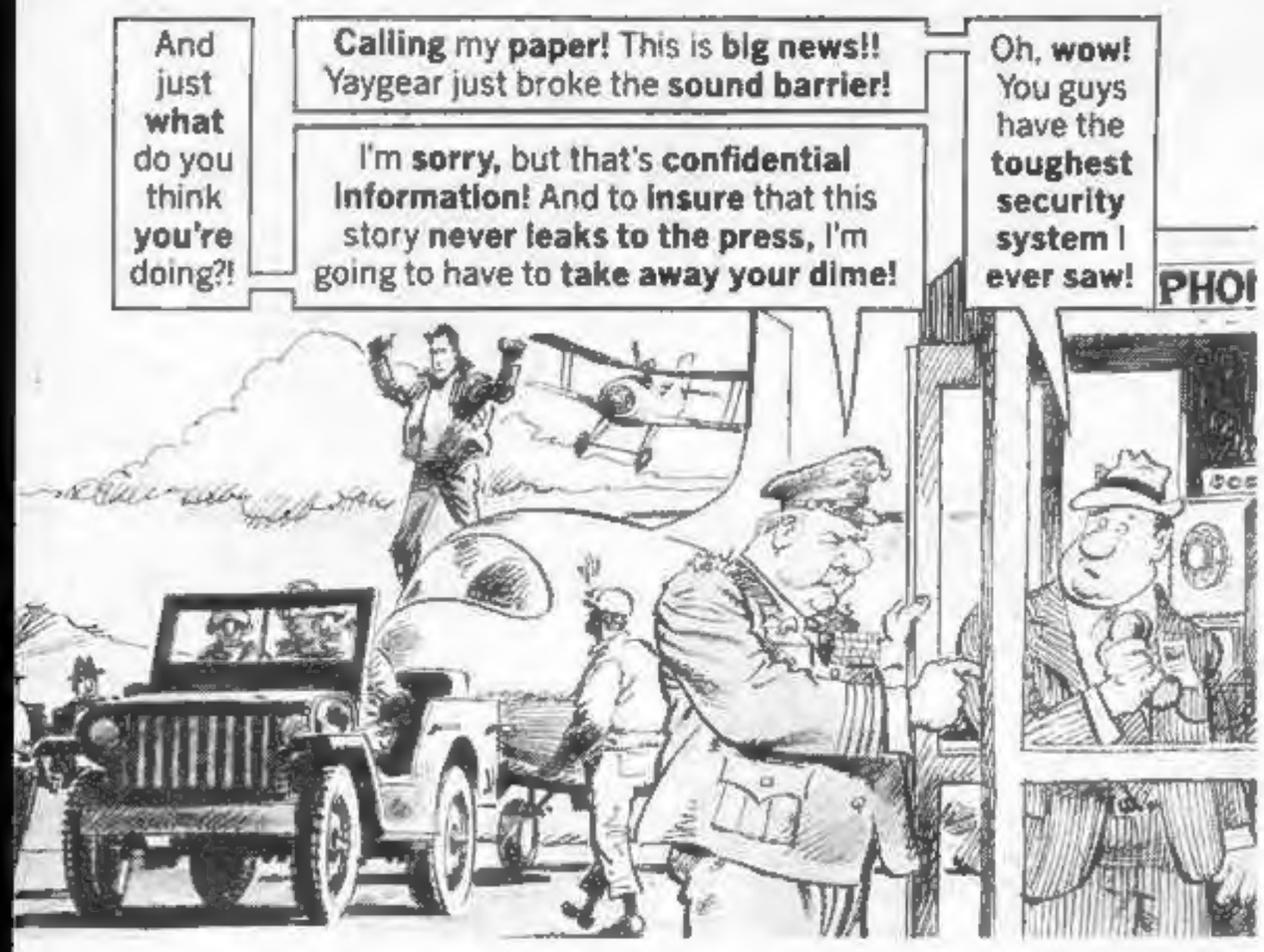

I had a little accident yesterday! My horse threw me and I broke a few ribs! I don't want those guys from Washington to think there's anything wrong with me!
Are you kidding?! Just the fact that you're actually GOING THROUGH with this crazy thing makes them KNOW there's something wrong with you!


That's the plane we've designed to break the sound barrier! Any questions?
Just one! How do you fly it?!
Good thinking! The Instruction Manual's in the glove compartment! Look it over when you're about to hit 600 mph or so!!
JETS 7
SHARKS 10

Hey, Yaygear! What's it like? How are you feeling?
My head's throbbing, my blood pressure's going through the roof and my vision is all blurred!!
Man, that Pauncho can mix a mean Marguerita!!


And just **what** do you think **you're** doing?!
Calling my **paper!** This is **big news!!** Yaygear just broke the **sound barrier!**
I'm **sorry,** but that's **confidential information!** And to **insure** that this story **never leaks to the press,** I'm going to have to **take away your dime!**
Oh, **wow!** You guys have the **toughest security system** I **ever saw!**
PHO

Everybody is calling Chuck Yaygear the **fastest man on Earth!!**
Oh, **yeah?** They ought to check out how **MY husband MAKES LOVE!**
Gee . . . I sure hope there's enough to **DO** on this desolate Air Force Base!
Not to worry! Between **boozing** at **Paunchos** . . . and **attending funerals** . . . the days will just **fly by!!**
ASTRO-WIFE
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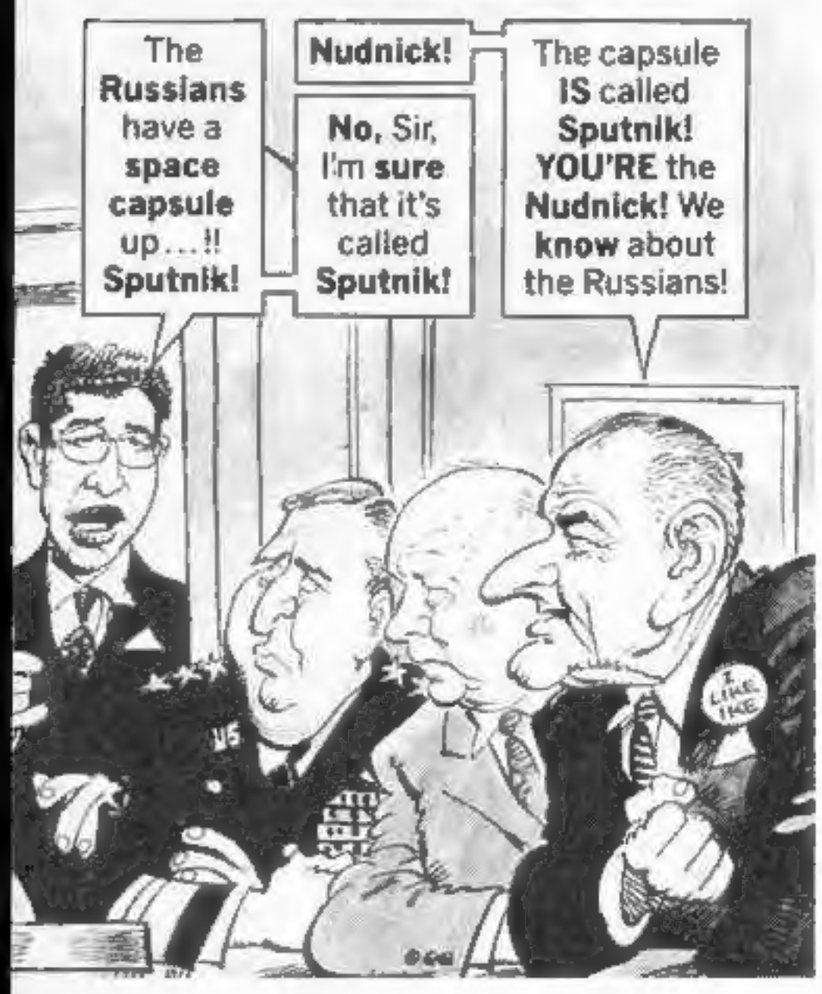
ASTRO-NUTS


The **Russians** have a **space capsule** up . . . !! **Sputnik!**
Nudnick!
No, Sir, I'm **sure** that it's called **Sputnik!**
The capsule **IS** called **Sputnik! YOU'RE** the **Nudnick!** We **know** about the Russians!
I LIKE IKE

We've got to put **something** up into space **immediately!**
How about we send up a **monkey?**
No, we **need** Lyndon **here** on the **ground!**
I LIKE GOLF

How could the Russians have **beaten us?! They're** using **German scientists,** and **WE'RE** using **German scientists!**
There's **one slight difference!** In **America,** the German scientists work **40 hours a week!** In **Russia,** they make them work **40 hours a DAY!!**

Mr. President . . . we've started scouting **possible candidates** to send into space! Our **best bet** is **"The Flying Zucchinis!"** They **work cheap,** but they'll want us to put up a **net** over **North America** which will cost **$45 billion!**
No! Since these men will have to **FLY,** I suggest we get **PILOTS!!**
Wow! What an **incredible thought!!** This, Gentlemen, is truly the **military mind at work!**

AND SO, AMERICA LAUNCHED A CAMPAIGN TO FIND A GROUP OF MEN TO SEND INTO SPACE. THEY SEARCHED EVERY PLACE THAT OFFICERS QUALIFIED TO FLY COULD BE EXPECTED TO BE FOUND:

. . . ON TV GAME SHOWS . . .

. . . IN SLEAZY BARROOMS . . .

. . . AND IN THE MOST UNLIKELY PLACES OF ALL, ON AIR BASES AND ABOARD AIRCRAFT CARRIERS, WHERE THEY DO FLYING STUFF.

I want you to **fill** this **test tube** with **sperm!**

Any thoughts on how I can **accomplish** that...??

Sure! Why not **FANTASIZE** about **me...?!**

In **that** case, I'd like to swap this **test tube** for a **barf bag...!**

DECEASED HE TOOK A TURN FOR THE NURSE.

They filled our **butts** with **two quarts of warm water,** and **now** we're supposed to go up **two flights** before we **relieve ourselves!** What does **that** prove?

That we have the ability to **break** the **"Bad Taste" barrier!**

ENEMA VERITE

GET ME BACK INTO THOSE TARZAN MOVIES!

Stop it! **Stop it!! I can't take it!!** It's **TOO MUCH!!**

Are these tests **that rough** on you?

The **tests** are a **snap!** It's that **ugly nurse** peeking in that **window** that's making me crack!

Gentlemen, I want each of you to **blow** into those **tubes** as **hard** and as **long** as you **can** to see **how high** you can make the **little red ball rise...!**

And **what,** pray tell, does **this** have to do with the **Space Race?**

Quite a lot! You'll see!!

When **launch time** finally comes, **one** of you will be in the **space capsule** on **top** of that **rocket,** and the **rest** of you will be **out here**... trying to **BLOW** the damn thing into **orbit!**

Gee, if it works on **hot air alone,** why not get the Space Program's **P.R. Director** out here?! **HE** could blow this thing clear over the **MOON!**

1-000

EASTERN

Well, men, you have undergone the **MINOR part** of your tests to become Astronauts! **Now** you must undertake the **more rigorous part: FACING THE PRESS without flinching** when they fire **flashbulbs** in your eyes, and **without punching someone** when they stick **microphones** in your face, and **without screaming** when they ask you for the **thousandth time** how your **wife** feels about your being **away from home** so much!

Gentlemen, instead of asking you the **usual mundane questions** that you've heard a **thousand times,** let me ask you **this:** How do your **wives feel** about your being **away from home** so much?

My wife says it's **fine** with **her!**

My wife feels the **same way!**

Mine too!

My wife says, "Sweetheart, **go to it!** I'm behind you **100%** And the **kids** are behind you **200%!** And **Uncle Al** and **Aunt Ann** are behind you **300%** And of course, **Grandma** and **Grandpa** are—

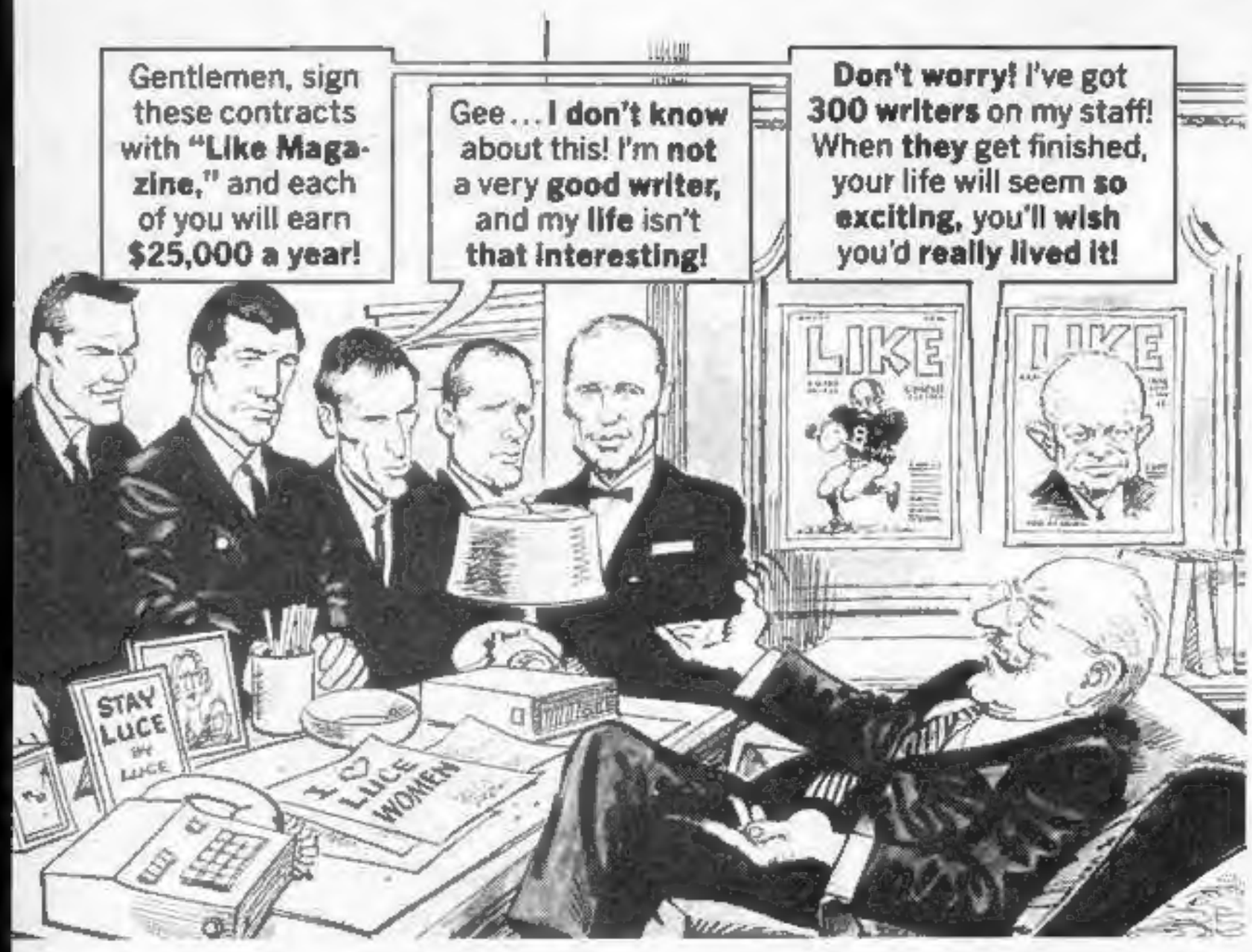
Listen to **that!** Grin is the **first Astronaut** to **break** the **"Bore Barrier"!!**

GRUESOME SLAYEM HURRAH GRIN CARPENTRY KOOKIE SCHL

Gentlemen, sign these contracts with **"Like Magazine,"** and each of you will earn **$25,000 a year!**

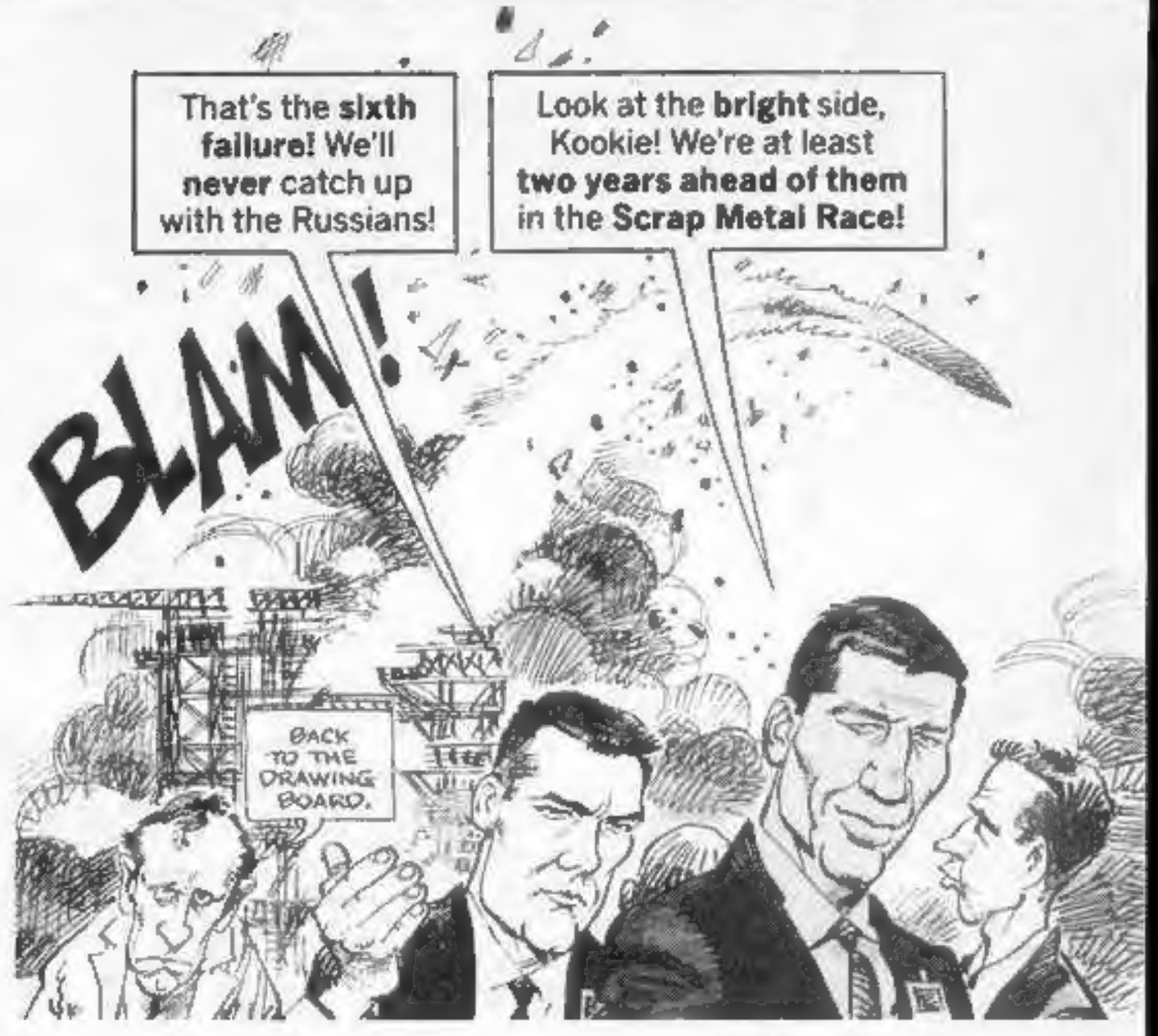
Gee... **I don't know** about this! I'm **not** a very **good writer,** and my **life** isn't **that interesting!**

Don't worry! I've got **300 writers** on my staff! When **they** get finished, your life will seem **so exciting,** you'll **wish** you'd **really lived it!**



That's the **sixth failure!** We'll **never** catch up with the Russians!

Look at the **bright** side, Kookie! We're at least **two years ahead of them** in the **Scrap Metal Race!**



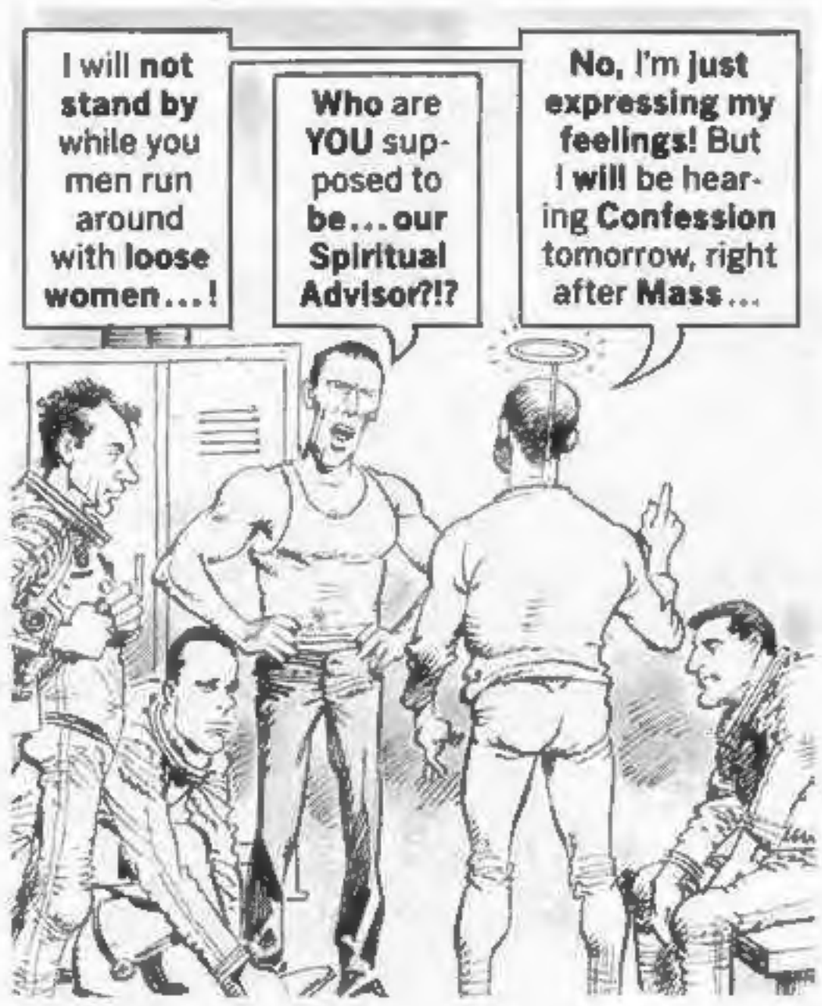
Since you **can't** seem to get your **ROCKETS up,** fellahs, maybe **WE** can help you raise **SOMETHING!??**

Hey, guys... I think we're about to **break** the **"Sex Barrier"...!!**

I will **not stand by** while you men run around with **loose women...!**

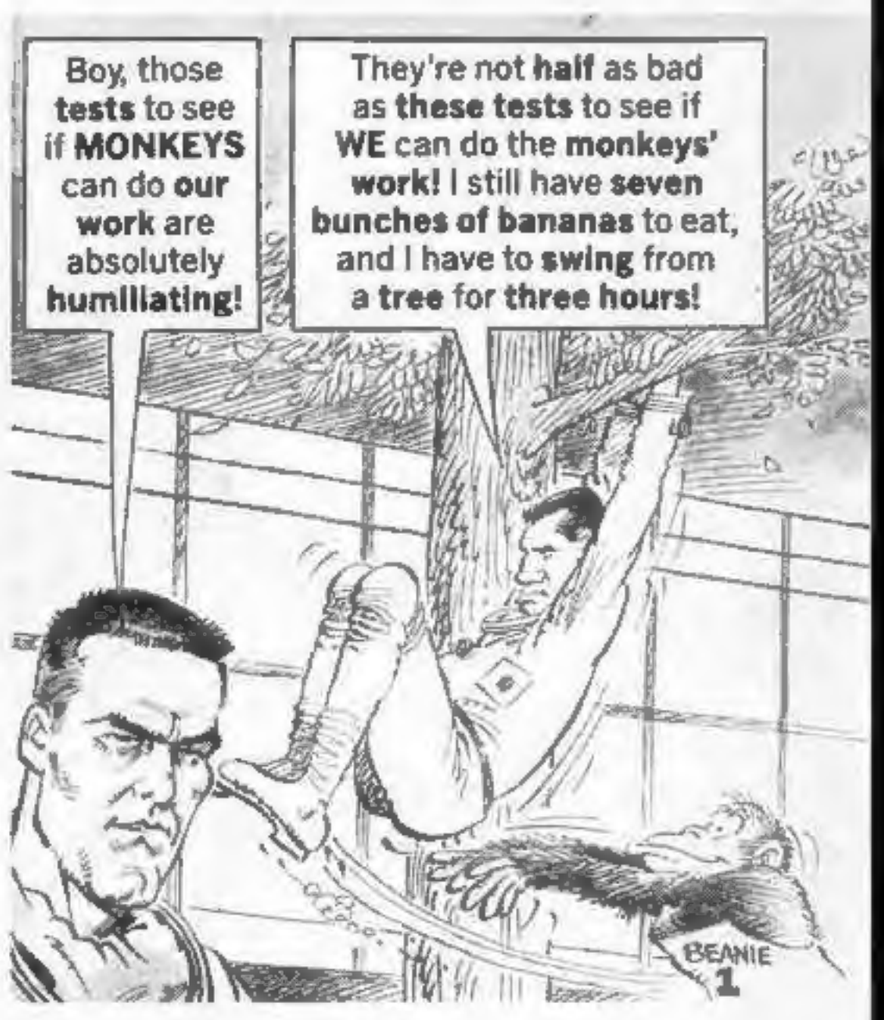
Who are **YOU** supposed to **be... our Spiritual Advisor?!?**

No, I'm **just expressing my feelings!** But I **will** be hearing **Confession** tomorrow, right after **Mass...**



Boy, those **tests** to see if **MONKEYS** can do **our work** are absolutely **humiliating!**

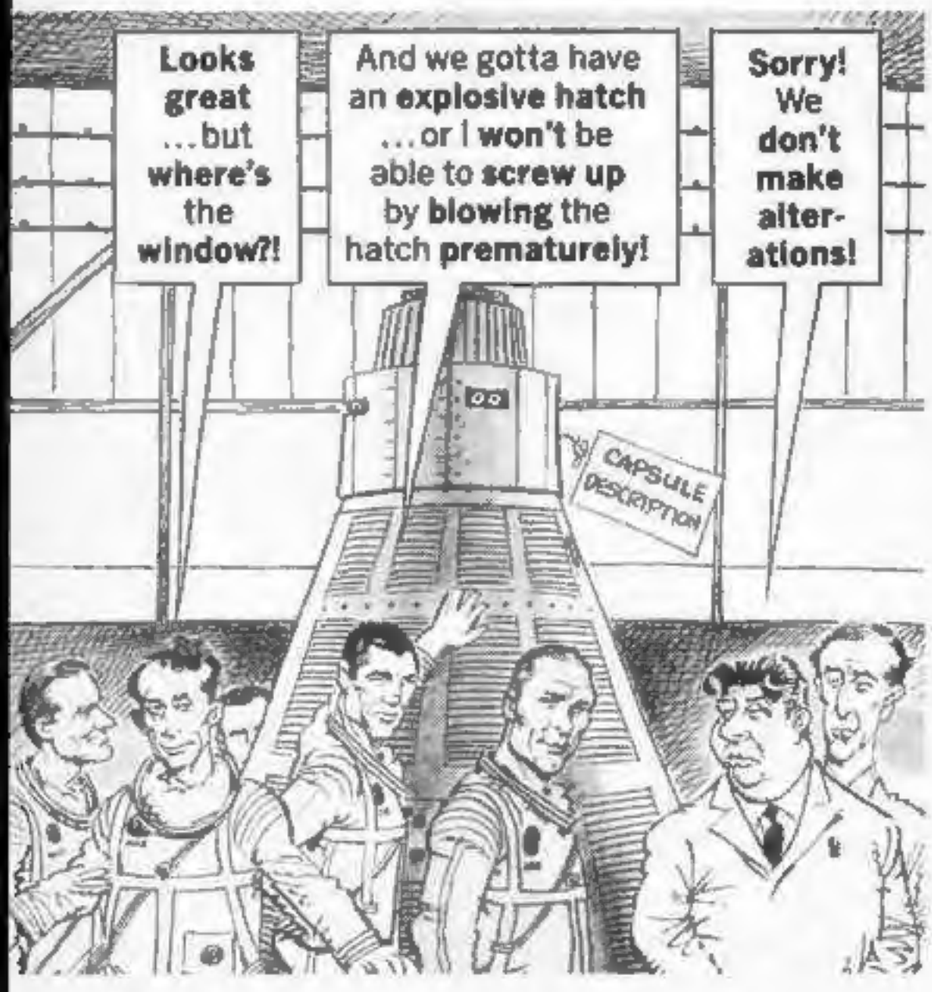
They're not **half** as bad as **these tests** to see if **WE** can do the **monkeys' work!** I still have **seven bunches of bananas** to eat, and I have to **swing** from a **tree** for **three hours!**



Looks great ...but **where's** the **window?!**

And we gotta have an **explosive hatch** ...or I **won't** be able to **screw up** by **blowing** the hatch **prematurely!**

Sorry! We **don't make alterations!**



You **don't make alterations?!?** Is this **NASA,** or a **Department Store?** We'll let the **Press** decide...!!

How did the **Press** get in here?!? This is a **Top Secret Security Area...!!**

Well, they're **not really** in here! They're **ten feet away** being **restrained** by a piece of **string...!**

Then our security is **still intact! No alterations!!**

Really? I guess I'll just **pass out dimes** for **phone calls...!**

Okay! You **win!!** You'll **get** your window— **and** your hatch!!

TOP SECURITY AREA

This is **Eric Neveride!** America has put a **monkey** into space ..and the Russians have made **monkeys** out of **us** by putting a **man** into space! But today, **Alan Schlepper, America's** first man in space, is **poised,** ready to be **launched** into **history!** And we can hear his **fellow Astronauts cheering him on...**

Go, Alan! **Go! GO!!**

I JUST DID! Now, my **space suit** needs to be **dry cleaned!**

Does **he mean** what I **THINK** he means?!

Yes, but **don't worry!** We **broke** the "Bad Taste" barrier **already!**

Meanwhile, at this **very moment,** reporters are swarming all over the **Schlepper household,** trying to get **vital information** from **Louise** Schlepper about her **Husband...**

What brand of **COFFEE** does he drink...?

What brand of **TOOTHPASTE** does he use?

What brand of **DISPOSABLE DIAPER** does he wear when he goes into space ...??

Here we are, **many months** and **one panel later,** at the **El Divo Hotel!** It's an **entirely different scene** this time, because Gus Gruesome **blew** that **hatch** and his space capsule **sunk...** along with **any chance** of his **wife** meeting **Jackie Kennedy...**

Look, Sweetie! They filled the refrigerator with **beer** for us!

Beer?! Not even **Champagne!?!** They **owe** you, Gus! They **owe** you a **lot** for what you did!!

Actually, Dear, it's the **other way around!** As an **Astronaut,** I'm **responsible** for the **safe return** of my **capsule! So I owe THEM! BOY...** do I owe them...!!

Grin, the Russians have a **man** in **space orbiting the Earth!** If **we** don't put a man in orbit **now,** the **Space Race** is **over** and we've **lost!**

I should tell you that the **rocket** we plan to use hasn't been **tested,** and we're not sure the **capsule** will stand up during **re-entry!** But we **know** we can count on **you,** John Grin...!

Oh you want **JOHN** Grin...! This is **DON** Grin! Sorry.. you have the **wrong number!!**

I'm your man!!

Well, we **finally** got you launched into **space,** John Grin... and everything is **perfect!** You're **free** to go a **full seven—**

BEEP! BEEP! BEEP!

Yep... like **I said,** you're **free** to go a **full FIVE orbits!!**

What happened to **SEVEN** orbits...?!

What's the **difference?!** Once you **orbit** the **Earth,** you've **seen it all!!**

Do you mind telling me **what's going on?**

His **heat shield** may have **come loose**... but we're **not sure!**

How will you **be sure??**

If the rocket **comes down,** and you can **fit** what's **left** of it into a **shoe box,** the heat shield **came loose!!**

Uh... John ... we're going to have to bring your capsule **down** after the **third orbit!**

THIRD orbit?! We've gone from **seven** to **five** and now to **three!** Man, that **burns me up!**

Bite your **tongue!!**

You're **now** on **manual!** Just make sure the **heat shield** is **facing DOWN!** And John, do you still have those **sandwiches** I made??

Yeah ..I got 'em!!

Well **get rid** of them and **wrap yourself up** in the **aluminum foil**...!

I read you! HOO-BOY, do I **read you!** Isn't there **ANY-BODY down there** who can **help** me. . .?!

Hey, John, this is **Kookie!** I'm monitoring you from **Australia! Cheer up!** I've got **3 Witch Doctors** performing **mystical rites!**

Well, **that** sure sounds **better** than our **scientific clowns** down there performing **statistical wrongs!!**

ABORIGINEE CAST RECORDING

Hey! Yaygear just climbed into that **new $800 million jet,** and he's **taking it up!**

Give me that **phone!**

Are you **calling** the **General??**

No, you idiot! The **Insurance Company!** You **KNOW** that Yaygear **never brings anything back** in **one piece!**

EASTERN

Oh, boy! Yaygear not only holds the **record** for the **world's HIGHEST ALTITUDE FLIGHT,** he **now** holds the record for the **world's DEEPEST LANDING!!**

What **happened**...?

I **forgot** to **ask** for that piece of **gum** I always ask for before I test a plane!

You **use** the **gum** to **calm** your **nerves?**

No ..to **keep** these **planes together** when I **hit** the **boosters!!**

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Ladies and Gentlemen ..., we are here to honor the **seven Mercenary Astronauts** who have brought so much **glory** to our **nation!**

And **what better way** to **thank** them before **God** and the **world** than to have a **STRIP TEASE ARTIST** come out and do a **hokey fan dance!**

So.. say hello to **Miss Sperry Rand!!**

WELCOME ASTRONAUTS

..and I want to thank you all for your **help** and your **prayers!**

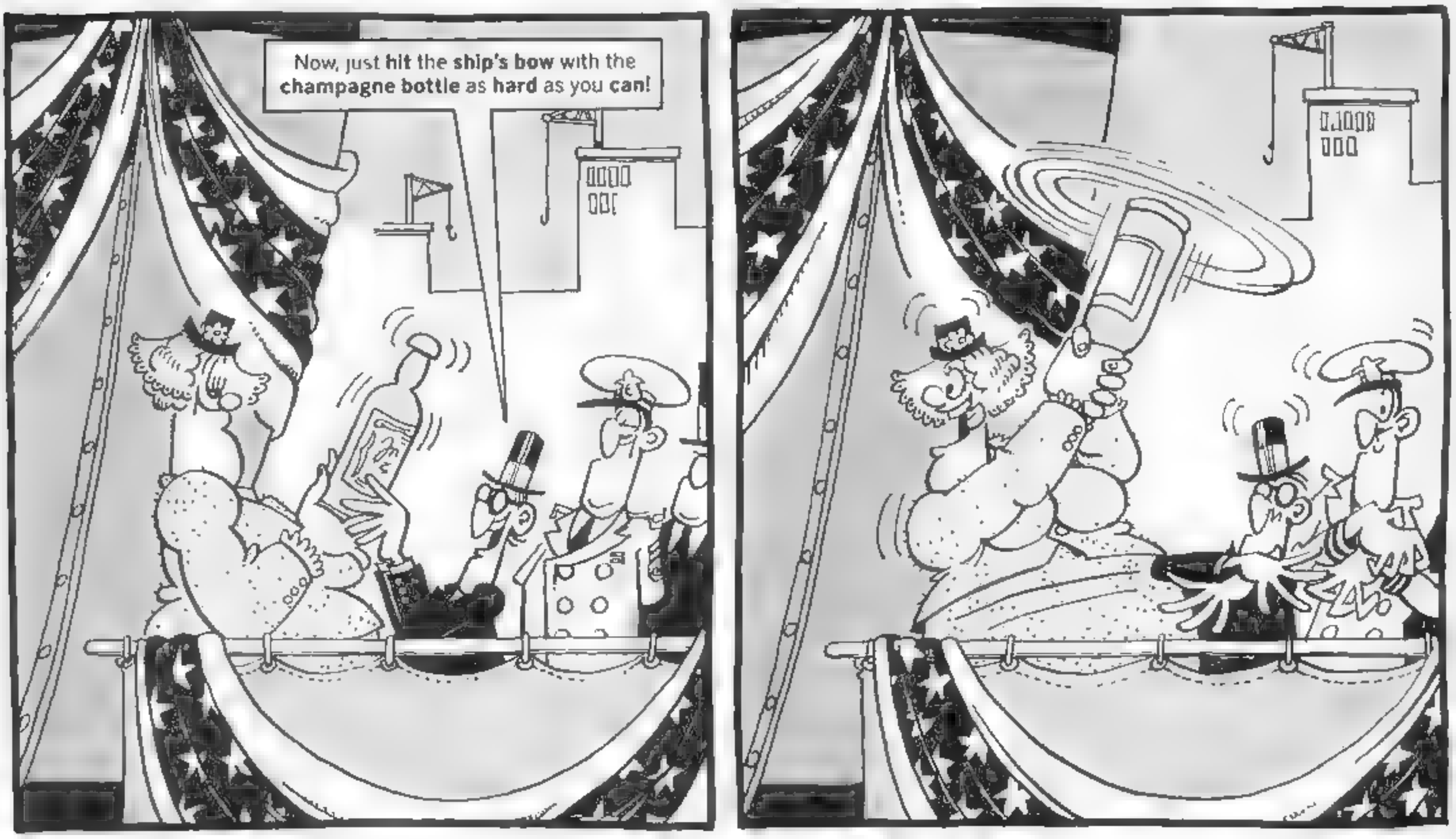
The **Space Program** has had a **great effect** on us all! But for **me,** it's **not over!!**

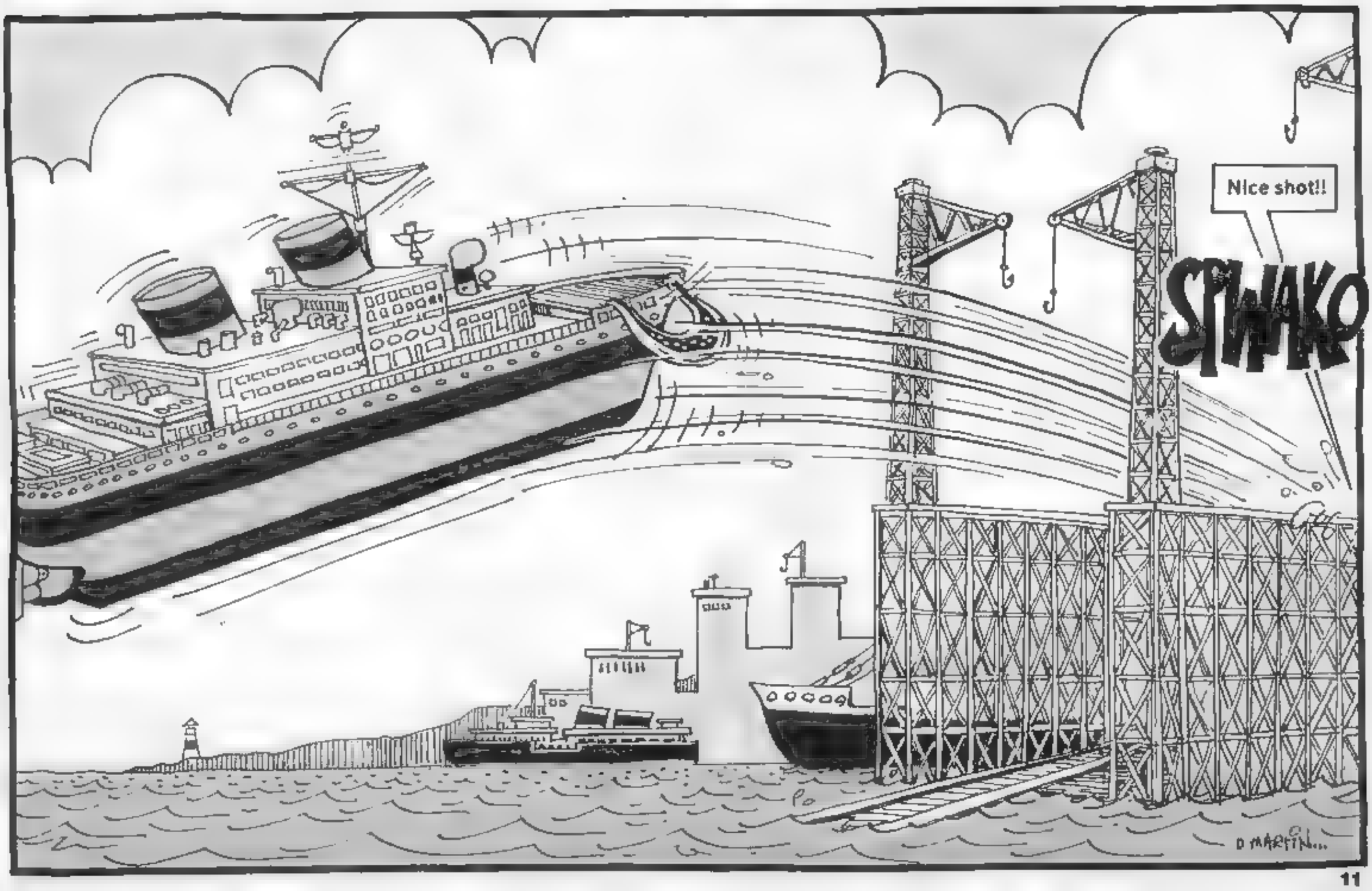
It has launched me on a **POLITICAL career** that, **hopefully,** years from now, will enable me to **splash down** in **the White House!**

He's got as **much chance of THAT** as the **MOVIE ACTOR** who starred with **BONZO THE CHIMP!!**

DON MARTIN DEPT. PART I

ONE MORNING ON THE WEST COAST





Ever wonder why hospital nurses are late with bedpans, why doctors and internes can't be located and have

HOSPITAL BUL

Lost - My favorite forceps, probably left in incision during one of 12 appendectomies I performed last week. Nurses are asked to take note of any complaints of severe pain, nausea, cramps, etc.

Dr. Entwhistle

Will trade 5 Medicare patients (netting over $600 per month in fees) for one rich, chronic hypochrondriac. Dr Reeves

This Thursday's Lecture by
Doctor Thaddeus N. Winkle
in the Memorial Auditorium

"SCALING DOWN FEES
FOR THE LESS
WEALTHY PATIENTS"

Has been cancelled indefinitely
because of lack of interest.

Congratulations to Nurse Wanda Edgely (4th floor) for most closely predicting (to the hour and minute) the death of the terminal patient in Room 607, thereby winning the $100 Geriatric Service staff pool.

Dr. Wilberforce wishes to thank the members of his surgical team who improvised for him when he fainted from squeamishness during last Friday's unsuccessful kidney transplant in Operating Room D.

To: All Nurses and Internes
From Administration Office

You are hereby ordered to prevent, by whatever means at your disposal, the departure of all discharged patients until after 11 a.m. so that they may be charged for an extra day.

A farewell party will be held Saturday evening for Resident Doctor Sidney Youngblatt, who has been dismissed by the hospital board for performing an emergency tracheotomy without checking first on the patient's ability to pay.

Your name inscribed on a beautiful diploma of the Medical School of your choice. Guaranteed to look authentic. All colleges and universities available. Framed in glass—Yours for only $175.00 per diploma. No questions asked.

A & B Doctors Service
Tel: 555-8778

to be paged? Most likely because they're checking out the latest offers, announcements, etc. on their . . .

LETIN BOARD

I want to thank first-year Interne Clyde Mutz for covering for me during Sunday's heart transplant, enabling me to defend (successfully!) my title at the Rolling Hills Country Club Golf Tourney.

—Dr. Fulsham

Send a Get-Well card to Interne Robert Tugwell, who's still in grave condition in the Infectious Disease Ward after eating a meal in the Patients' Cafeteria.

FOR SALE, UNOPENED CASE OF AMPHETAMINES. HIGHEST OFFER TAKES. NO QUESTIONS ASKED.

NURSE ELVIRA SMAGG
PHARMACY

Dr. Thaddeus Phyle wishes to thank everyone who expressed condolences on the death of his brother, Dr. Ezra Phyle, and to announce that he will sell his brother's MD licence plates (enabling anyone to park anywhere anytime) to the highest bidder.

Will trade my Morocco-bound 12-volume set of Gray's Anatomy for one copy, in good condition, of "Doubling Your Income Through Fee-Splitting" by Yulvey.

Dr. Estrogen

WE COLLECT FROM DEADBEATS—OR ELSE!
"When your patient can't pay, We find him the way!"
FAZIO and SPINELLI
Loan Sharks and Strong-Arm Specialists
551-8730

To: All Nurses
From: Head Nurse Myra Skumble

The following services to patients must be performed **daily** at **exact** times stipulated:

7:00 a.m.—Serve breakfast
7:00 a.m.—Take Temperature
7:00 a.m.—Give enema
9:30 a.m.—Give prescribed medication
10:00 a.m.—Confer with doctor on change in medication
10:30 a.m.—Give revised medication
12:00 noon—Administer bed pan
12:00 noon—Serve lunch
2:30 p.m.—Administer sedative
2:30 p.m.—Admit visitors
2:45 p.m.—Give enema
6:00 p.m.—Serve dinner
6:00 p.m.—Take specimen
9:00 p.m.—Lights out
11:00 p.m.—Give prescribed medication
2:00 a.m.—Give prescribed medication
3:30 a.m.—Administer sleeping pill
5:30 a.m.—Wake up patient

MURRAY MINKLER
ATTORNEY AT LAW
("The Doctor's Mouthpiece")

IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT HE HAS EXPANDED HIS PRACTICE AND NOW WILL DEFEND, IN ADDITION TO MALPRACTICE SUITS, ALL CASES INVOLVING INCOME TAX EVASION, ILLEGAL FEE-SPLITTING, QUESTIONABLE KICKBACKS AND GENERAL PROFESSIONAL INCOMPETENCE

PHOTOGRAPHER: IRVING SCHILD WRITER: FRANK JACOBS

I'll have a large tub of pop corn and a Coke...
That'll be two dollars, please...
WHAT...?!? TWO BUCKS!! That's a gyp!
The corn kernels cost about five cents, and the Coke syrup costs less than a nickel!!
That may be true...
but the MOVIE we're showing costs TEN MILLION DOLLARS to make...and you're seeing it for only FOUR BUCKS! So we're even!

BERG'S-EYE VIEW DEPT.

THE LIGHTE

SCHOOL

Sheldon, did you do your homework?
No, Ma'am!
Do you have a good excuse?
Yes, Ma'am! It's all my Mother's fault!!
She kept you from doing it?
No, Ma'am!
She didn't NAG me enough!!

SHOPPING

Shopping is not easy! I have such difficulty finding what I want!
What are you looking for?
Butter... without salt! Soda... w thout sugar! Beer... without calories! Coffee... w thout caffein! Milk... without fat...!
And when I finally find it, it COSTS so much!!
That's life!!
If you want to DO WITHOUT you have to PAY for it!

R SIDE OF...

ART ST & WRITER
DAVE BERG

INSOMNIA

One hundred and one one hundred and two one hundred and three one hundred and four
What in heck are you doing?
I can't sleep so I'm counting sheep!
Why don tyou try SLEEPING PILLS...?!?
Okay, I'll give 'em a try...!
One... two... three... four five... six... seven...

CONVERTIBLE SOFAS

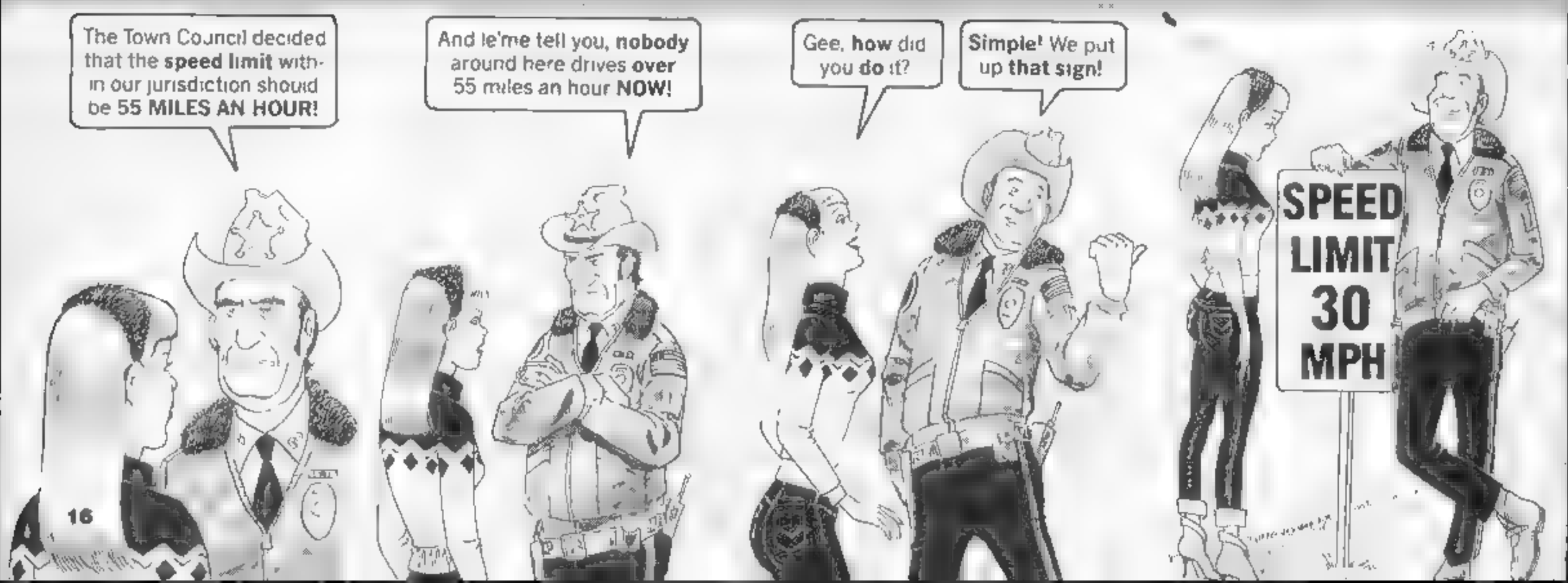
We'd like to see something in a **pull-out bed** for **overnight guests!**
Certainly! **Here's a** very nice one! **Try** it! **yourself!**
I must say, this is **very comfortable! Not too hard** ... not **too soft!** In fact, it's **just right**
Good!! Will this be **cash** or **credit card.**
NEITHER! We're **not taking it!**
But you **said** it was **just right!! Very comfortable!**
That's the **trouble** with it! We **don't want** anybody **staying a second night!!**

WORRY

Mom, you know how you **always worry** that if I **played ball** in the house, I might **break** that **expensive porcelain pitcher** in the living room ...?
Yes! What about it ?
Well you can **stop worrying!!**

JOB HUNTING

THE LAW


The Town Council decided that the **speed limit** within our jurisdiction should be **55 MILES AN HOUR!**
And le'me tell you, **nobody** around here drives **over** 55 miles an hour **NOW!**
Gee, **how** did you **do** it?
Simple! We put up **that sign!**
SPEED LIMIT 30 MPH

MOTHERS

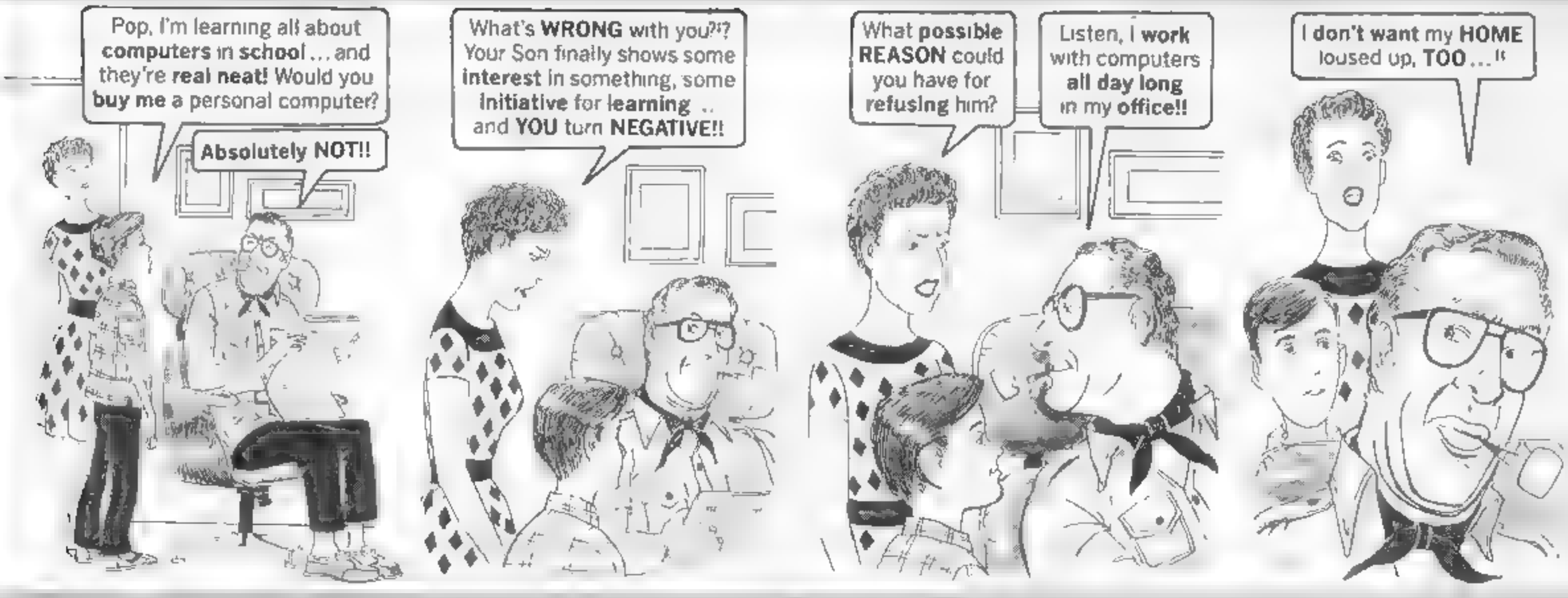
I've been away at school for **nearly a year,** and—
I've got one of those **real Old Fashioned Mothers!** So she's gonna make a **fuss** with **hugging**—and **kissing**—and ... **YECCH! WHO NEEDS IT!?!** Well, **here goes...**
Hi, Mom! I'm **home** !!
DON'T COME IN!! I JUST WASHED THE KITCHEN FLOOR!

THE BLUES

APPRECIATION

I have to mail this **letter** to my **Dad!**
But you live in the **same house!** Why are you **writing** to him?
It's a **"Thank You"** note... !
Oh? What are you **thanking** him for?
He gave me a **raise** in my **allowance!**
That's **great!** Let's go out and **splurge!**
I **can't!** I **spent** it all on the **stamp!!**
US MAIL

COMPUTERS


Pop, I'm learning all about computers in school ... and they're real neat! Would you buy me a personal computer?
Absolutely NOT!!
What's WRONG with you?!? Your Son finally shows some interest in something, some initiative for learning .. and YOU turn NEGATIVE!!
What possible REASON could you have for refusing him?
Listen, I work with computers all day long in my office!!
I don't want my HOME loused up, TOO ...!!

SALARIES

EMPATHY

Why are you looking so down-in-the-mouth?
It's so sad ...!
My boyfriend had a rich Father, and we sure lived it up! Sports cars in Monaco, sailboats on the Riviera, skiing in Switzerland! We were really into the Jet Set life! Then, suddenly, his Dad's investments turned sour ... and he lost everything!
No wonder you're so sad! You're hurting for your boyfriend's bad luck, eh?
I sure am ...!
The poor guy is gonna MISS me!

Rather than face the unruly crowds, uncaring sales persons and unbelievably slow-moving lines in department and discount stores today, many people are doing their shopping via mail from their own homes. Mail order shopping is especially helpful to those people who don't want to show themselves in public for other reasons... like members of "The Mob." Recently, we came across a mail order catalogue filled with items aimed directly at all these underworld consumers. So here we go with:

M.O.B.
MAFIA OUTLET BUREAU

1984 SHOP-BY-MAIL CATALOG

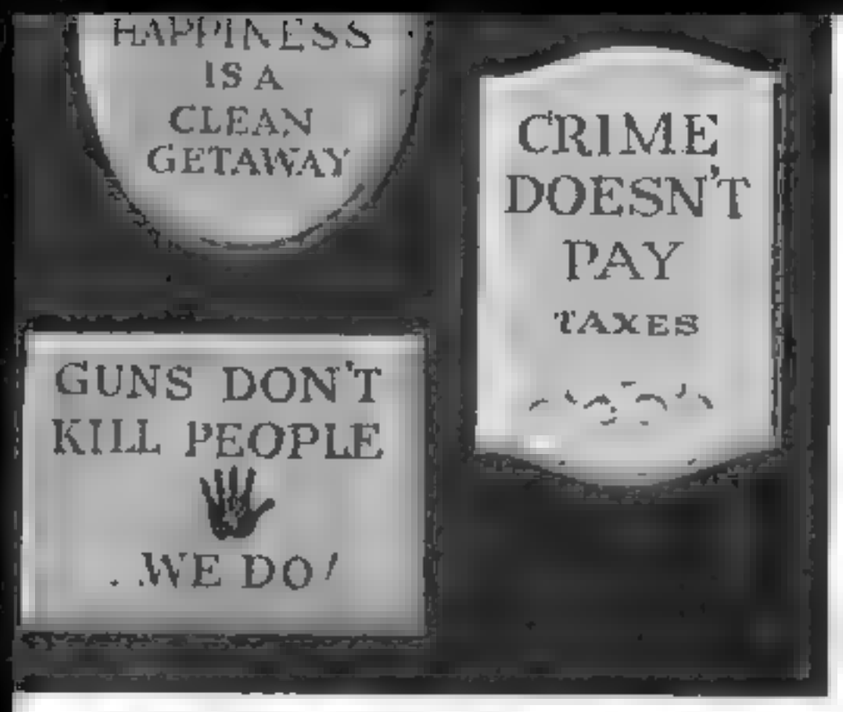
BARGAIN PRICED MERCHANDISE AND GIFTS FOR THE DISCRIMINATING MOBSTER

The Al Capone Commemorative Lamp (see Page 49)

Jam-Packed With Offers You Can't Refuse

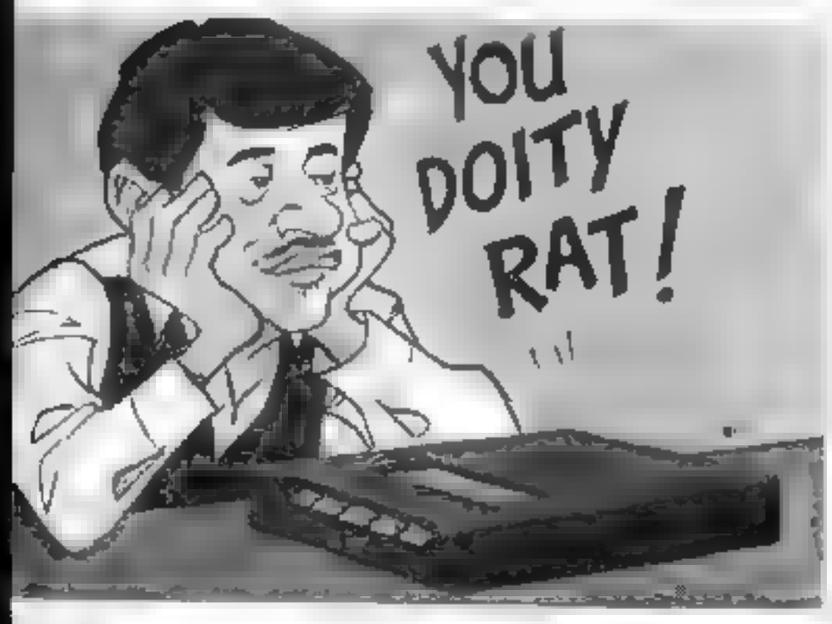
SERVING THE UNDERWORLD SINCE 1927

WRITER FRANK JACOBS ARTIST, BOB CLARKE



INSPIRATIONAL WALL PLAQUES
Wise sayings, witty epigrams that will dress up your hideout and impress your fellow thugs when they come to visit. Choose from (1) "I never met a man I couldn't bribe." (2) "If crime doesn't pay, how come I drive a Cadillac?" (3) "God hates squealers." (4) "Tomorrow is one more day you're not doing time."

#4407—Each plaque.....$3.95
All four.....$12.00



"TUFF-TALK" CASSETTES
You can't be a believable mobster unless you talk like one. And now you can, with "Tuff-Talk," the easy way to master underworld lingo. Just play the cassettes and you'll be taught all the "right" expressions by Sal "Shades" Tartini, ex-capo of the famed Palazzo Family in Cleveland. Soon you'll get the handle on phrases like "Lean on the creep," "Tailpipe the rat," "Deep-six the fink which fingered Little Izzy," and hundreds more

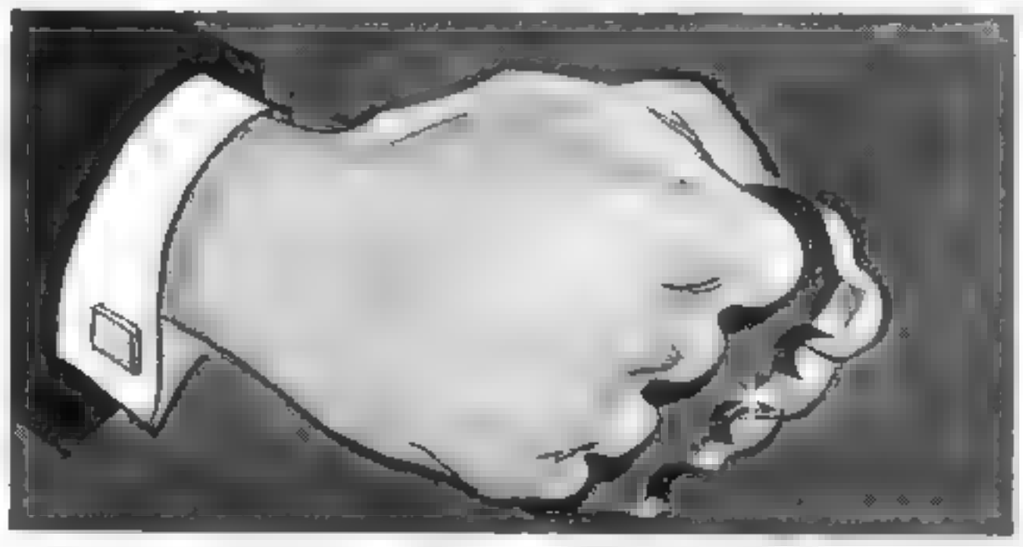
#3459—"TUFF-TALK" CASSETTES..$29.50 per set of six

NIX THE TEENAGE PUNK LOOK
Even if you are one! Now, with "Beard In A Can," you can instantly add years to your looks. Simply rub the ash-like flakes on your face and you'll come off as a veteran hitman with a two-day beard. They'll never know you only shave once a week and have to show I.D. in bars. Choose from three lifelike shades—macho black, bigshot brown, honcho red.

#2276—"BEARD IN A CAN".....$4.95

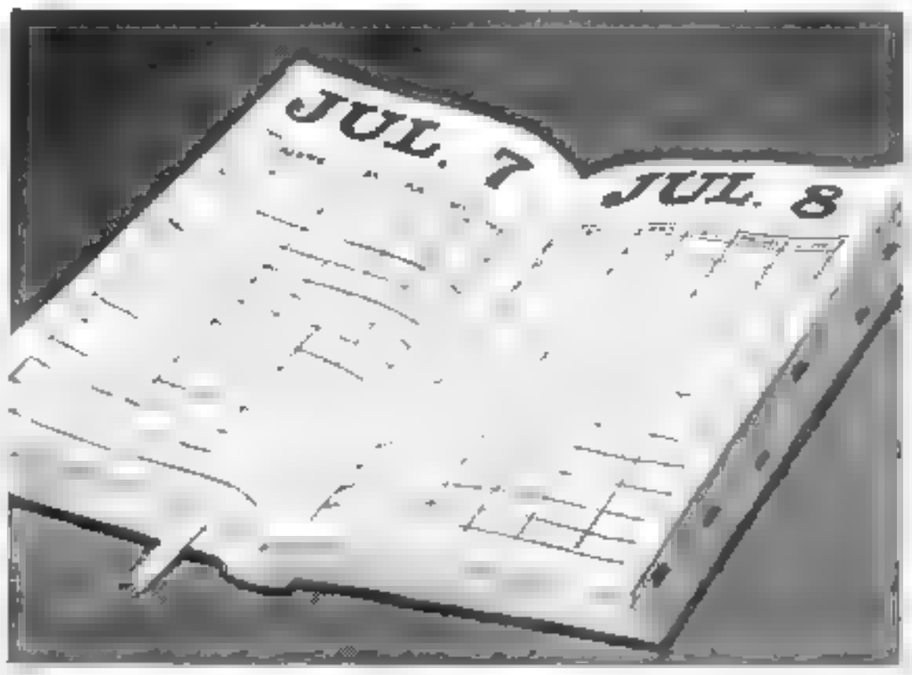
LUCKY LUCIANO'S THUMB-PRINT
The thumb-print of the Mob's most celebrated hero now becomes a dazzling piece of modern abstract art. This is a 16" x 24" blow-up of Lucky's thumb-print taken by the FBI just before he was deported to Sicily. A real conversation-piece that will add class to any mob-leader's office or clubroom. State whether you want right or left thumb.

#4115—LEGENDARY THUMB-PRINT.....$9.95
SAME, FRAMED IN RICH GOLD-LEAFED PLASTIC.....$19.95



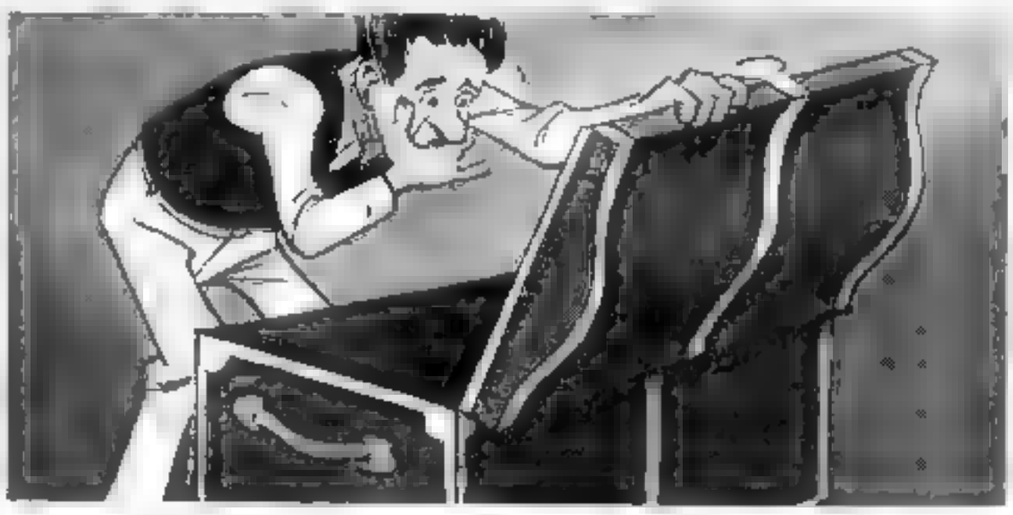
GENUINE BRASS KNUCKLES
You can't beat this rap—a rap, that is, right on the kisser using good old "brass knucks." Reliable, perfect for enforcement problems, they save wear and tear on the hands. One size fits all, unless fingers are disfigured from punching without them. A must for the up-and-coming hoodlum; a great sentimental gift for your capo

#6512—BRASS KNUCKLES.....$19.95



LOAN-SHARK'S DATE BOOK
More than just a daily calendar or memo pad, this item is designed especially for the money-lender. Provides spaces for names of who owes you money, how late they are in payment, which limb you'll break if they don't come across. Special! Order now and get Free Bonus Book: "Torture Techniques For Fun & Profit."

#2167—LOAN-SHARK'S COMPANION.....$5.95



MYSTERY TRUNKS
What's in them? Hi-jacked appliances? Bank loot? A dead squealer? We've got dozens of them gathering dust in our warehouse—all left over from gang wars, heists, the estates of dead fences, etc. If you like the fun of opening surprise packages, then this item is for you!

#3345—SURPRISE STUFFED TRUNK..... $14.95

"DIAMOND" PINKIE RING
Just because you're not a high-level Mafioso doesn't mean you can't look like one. Wear this glittering ring in your neighborhood. Only you will know the "rock" isn't real as local toadies kiss it and grovel at your feet while they thank you for letting them live. "Diamond" available in three sizes

#2414—Impressive giant size..$19.95
Extra-large Capo size .$29.95
Super-large Don size..$39.95

HISTORIC GANGLAND MENU
Now you can own a replica of the famed menu of the historic "Peace Parley Banquet," partaken by the Collazo and Bombagni Families in 1967 just after they agreed to split up Pittsburgh and only moments before Bombagni realized he was being set up to be rubbed out during the fifth course

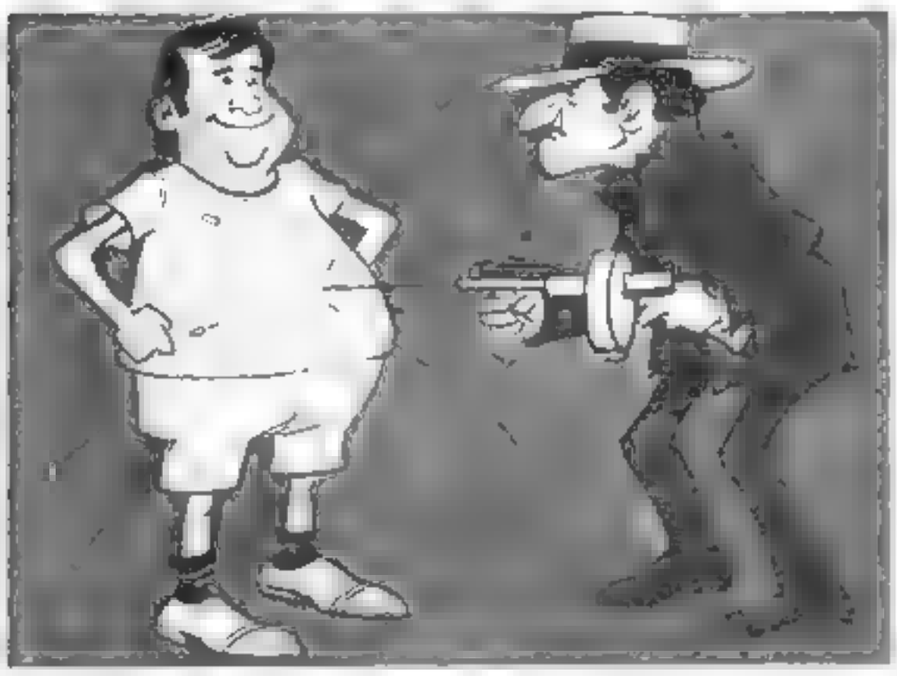
 # 8002—HISTORIC MENU.....$5.95
 # 8003—SAME, WITH SIMULATED BLOODSTAINS $7.95

ADD-A-SCAR KIT
Top mobsters know that shakedowns are more successful when they look menacing. Now you can make your victims cower and cringe when you "touch up" your cheek with a life-like, chilling scar. Just follow the easy instructions and you're a cinch to frighten the life out of shop-keepers, news-dealers and others you prey upon.

 # 1113—SCARFACE KIT.....$14.95

BEGINNER'S COUNTERFEITING KIT
It's never too late to master this time-honored "money-making" craft. A few days practice, and you ll be turning out $10's and $20's that will fool a bank officer! Kit comes complete with dyes, paper, printing press and plates. A great "second income" for "nothing-to-do" days when you're between heists.

 # 2098—COUNTERFEITING KIT $298.95



BULLET-PROOF UNDERWEAR
A flashy suit and tie mean nothing if you're not protected underneath. Our lead underwear will keep you alive when rival mobs try to gun you down Let them plug away—you'll come through without a scratch. Choose from three fashion-plate colors—Marinara red; Zucchini green; Eggplant purple

 # 4416—T-shirt.....$22.50
 # 4417—Shorts.....$19.95
Add $5 00 and have your monogram inscribed.

LEATHER PAY-OFF SATCHEL
Next time you visit a politician, drop off the cash in one of our plush leather Pay-Off Satchels. It's the class way of bribing, and separates you from mugs who use paper bags. Handy inside compartments can be used to separate small bills from $50's and $100's.

 # 27—LEATHER PAY-OFF SATCHEL. . $27.50
DELUXE VELVET-LINED VERSION FOR GOVERNORS AND U.S. SENATORS . . $37.50

"HOW TO PICK UP BIMBOS"
Without a bleach-blonde floozie on his arm, a mobster counts for nothing In this info-packed book, you'll learn where to find them, how to make a good first impression, when to slap them around, other valuable tips

 # 3345—BIMBO BOOK . . $7.95

NEW IDENTITY KIT
The Feds are hot on your trail and you need to lay low or else face 10-to-20 years in the slammer. What to do? Just order one of our New Identity Kits, and in minutes you can turn yourself into, say, retired druggist Harold Pierson of Pueblo, Colorado. Each kit comes complete with new birth certificate, driver's license, social security number, the works.

 # 6167—NEW IDENTITY KIT $99.95

STOLEN CREDIT CARDS
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TURNING BACK THE CROCK DEPT.

There's an old joke which asks: What are the three biggest lies in America today? And the punchline goes something like: 1) The check is in the mail!, 2) I'll get back to you on Monday!, and 3)...well...the third lie is so filthy, disgusting and depraved we couldn't possibly type it and then use

MAD'S LIST OF R

"THE THREE BIGGES

On any paint can label...

"One coat covers"

In any late-night TV commercial...

"Order *now*! This is a limited offer!"

At any fender-bender accident...

"WHIPLASH!"

In any classified ad section...

"You can earn up to $1,000 per week in your own home!"

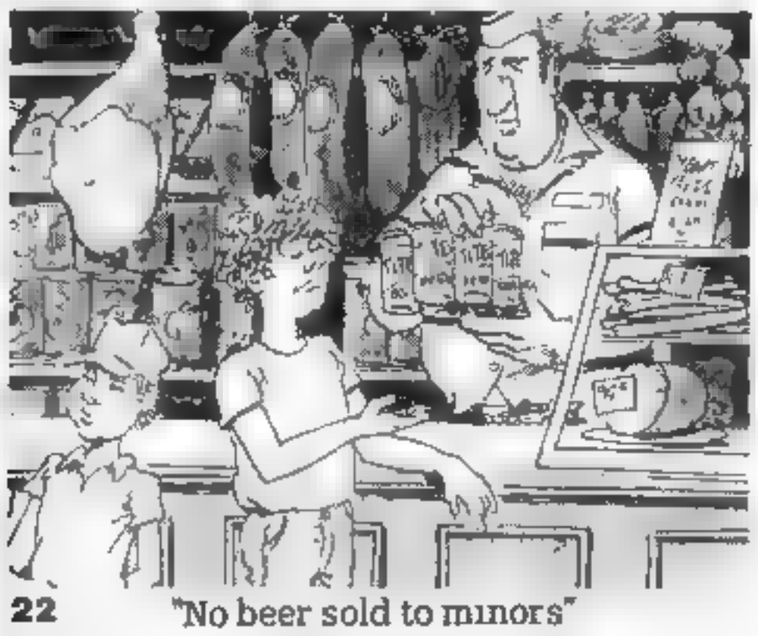
On any record album...

"Warning: Any unlawful copying of this record will result in criminal prosecution"

From any Pentagon official...

"The U.S. can survive a nuclear exchange!"

On any delicatessen wall...



"No beer sold to minors"

At any movie ticket booth...

"Rated R. Under 17 not admitted unless accompanied by parent or guardian"

In any automatic elevator...

"Door Close"

the same hands to touch those we love and respect. You'll just have to ask your father what it is. (*Don't ask your mother!*) Anyway, the point is: it's an old joke. And since it's been written, society has come up with a lot more blatant lies that it uses every day. "Like what?" you ask. Well, here is...

UNNERS-UP FOR ST LIES IN AMERICA"

ARTIST: HARRY NORTH WRITER: JOHN FICARRA

In any supermarket...

"Express Lane Checkout"

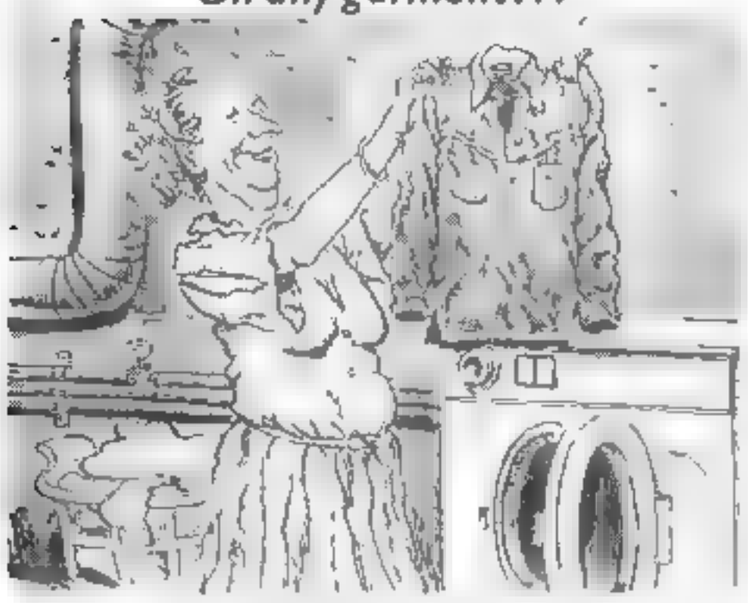
On any pair of socks or gloves...

"One size fits all"

In any compact car brochure...

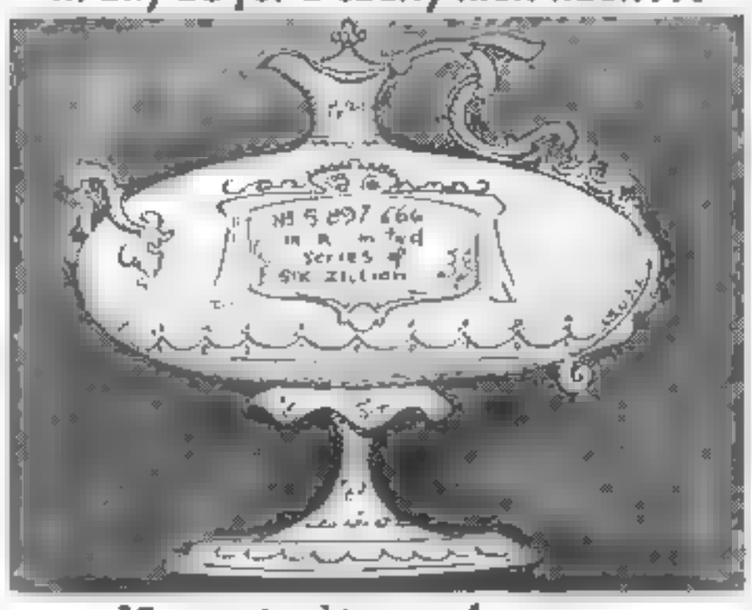
"Seats five comfortably"

On any garment...



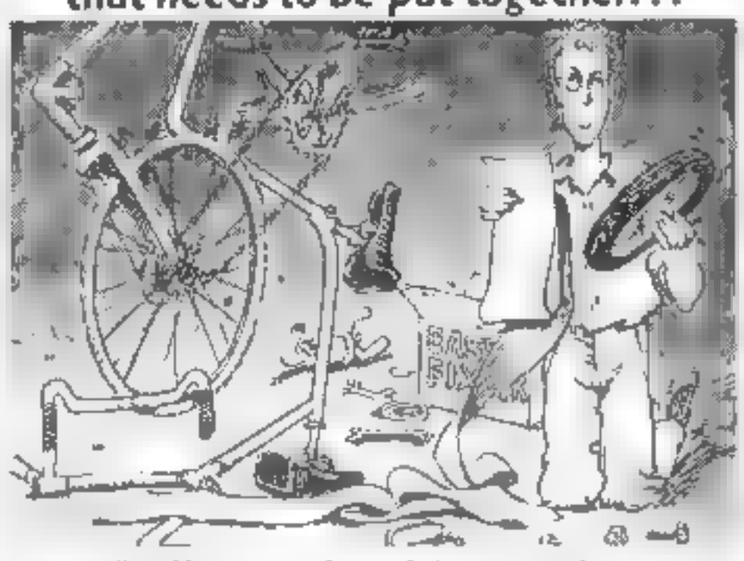
"100% Permanent Press
No ironing required"

In any ad for a tacky nick-nack...



"Guaranteed to soon become a valuable collector's item"

On the shipping carton of anything that needs to be put together...



"Follow enclosed instruction sheet for quick easy assembly"

In any Hollywood Chapel...

"I do"

On any hiring office wall...

"An equal opportunity employer"

On the cover of a certain unnamed so-called humor magazine...

"$1.25 CHEAP"

NEUMANCLATURE DEPT.

A number of issues back (#174 to be exact), we pointed out that many of the words we use come from the names of real people. F'rinstance, "diesel" comes from Rudolph Diesel, its inventor, and "derby" comes from the Earl of Derby, its wearer, etc. We then suggested that it would only be a matter of time before the names of current celebrities would become part of our language, and we presented a list of them to be added to the dictionary. Well, it's time to update that list as MAD now offers:

ADDITIONS TO THE DICTIONARY

asner

asner ('az-nur) *n* : a cut-off grant. (*Because of the* asner, *we went down the tubes.*)

barrett ('bar-ut) *n* : a machine for digging up and distributing dirt, a manure spreader (*Don't get too close to the* barrett *or you'll get spattered.*)

bronson ('bron-sun) *vt* : to obliterate, to destroy; to wipe out (*From the pile of bodies, we knew the city had been* bronsoned.)

brooks (brüks) *adj* : describing a gross national product.

'bush (büsh) *vt* : to wear out from lack of use

²bush *n* : the half of the ticket that's thrown away.

capote (kŭ-'pō-tē) *vi* : to curve, to deviate (*The road is straight for a mile, then it* capotes.)

'carter ('kär-tur) *interj* : a term of disappointment

²carter *n* : a beer bust, a flaky cracker devoid of taste

cher (shär) *vi* : to flash on the screen, then disappear

connery ('con-ur-ē) *n* : a gilt-edged bond (*With these* connerys, *we'll make a killing.*) see **moore.**

dangerfield ('dan-jur-fēld) *n* : self-abuse

derek (de-rŭk) *n* : a knockout requiring a count of ten

falwell ('fal-wel) *n* : a majority of one

farrow ('fa-rō) *n* : a woody substance **syn.** keaton, lasser

'ford (ford) *vi* : to stumble over one's feet, to suffer injury from inanimate objects, to fall upstairs.

²ford *n* : a solo performer, a raider.

gaines (gānz) *n* **1:** a dumping ground for garbage, a trash heap **2:** pollution (*The* gaines *got worse and we had to close the beaches.*) **syn.** feldstein, meghn, ficarra

garfunkel ('gar-funk-ul) *n* : one of the performing arts. **syn.** carney, tatum

graham ('gra-um) *n* **1:** a compulsive saver. **2:** a revival. (*The* graham *can't hold a candle to the original.*)

henson ('hen-sun) *vt* : to manipulate. (*He couldn't control himself because he was* hensoned.)

hepburn ('hep-burn) *n* : something that improves with age.

houseman ('hous-mun) *n* : an overinflated commercial hot-air balloon.

jagger ('jag-ur) *n* : a semi-precious stone.

kermit ('ker-mit) *adj* : high on the hog.

khomeini (ko-'mā-ne) *n* : an internal disease for which there is no cure. ("*It's* khomeini," *the doctor said, "and it's spreading.*")

kuhn (kun) *n* : a power failure. (*Because of the* kuhn, *there was chaos everywhere.*)

lucas ('lu kus) *n* : a space-filler

mondale ('mon-dāl) *see* **bush.**

moon (mun) *n* **1:** a banned, illegal import **2:** a mental illness that affects the young (*He's suffering from* moon, *so what can you do?*)

moore (mōr) *n* : a bond of little more than face value see **connery.**

nimoy ('nē-moi) *adj* **1:** vulcanized **2:** direct, to the point

o'connor (ō-'kon-ur) *n* : a fallen arch

'osmond ('oz-mund) *n* : a tooth of abnormal whiteness. (*He flashed his* osmonds *and blinded the audience.*)

²osmond *n* : innocence, purity. (*While others went wild, she held on to her* osmond.)

parton ('pär-tun) *vi* : to stand out (*Most of the hills are small, but those big ones see how they* parton?)

pavarotti (pav-ŭ-'rot-ē) *n* : a stuffed Italian meatball served in great quantities and consumed with relish. (*The* pavarotti *ended the dinner on a high note.*)

rather ('rath-ur) *n* : an anchor that falls short

'reagan ('rā gun) *n* : a sad condition often leading to depression

²reagan) *vi* : to lose one's direction while looking for one. (*He* reaganed *and, as usual, no one could follow him.*)

reeve (rēv) *n* : a quick-change artist

reggie ('rej-ē) *n* : a hot dog concession

rooney ('rū-nē) see **villechaize.**

rose (rōz) *adj* : once red, but now fading with age

salazar ('sal-ŭ-zar) *vi* : to win in the long run

schwarzenegger ('shwar-zen-eg-ur) *vt* : to throw one's weight around, to muscle in ("*This town ain't big enough for the both of us,*" *he said as he* schwarzeneggered.)

selleck ('sel-ŭk) *vi* : to become crazed with lust and desire (*He walked into the room and she* sellecked.)

shields (shēldz) *n* : a decorative ornament of little creative value

simon ('sī-mun) *n* : a hitman who rarely misses.

spielberg ('spēl-burg) *adj* : to emit a weird, unworldly cry (*The creature* spielberged, *scattering the onlookers.*)

stallone (stŭ-lōn) *n* : a rocky stretch (*Hold on, there's another* stallone *ahead!*)

staubach ('stō-bok) *n* : a passed-out cowboy

steinbrenner ('stīn-bren-ur) *vt* : to go berserk with a club (*He screamed in horror while he* steinbrennered.)

townshend ('town-zund) *n* : a crumbling rock formation (*It looks like a* townshend, *but who can tell?*)

villechaize ('vil-ŭ shāz) *n* : a unit of measurement, two of which equal one rooney or one williams.

walesa (va-'len sŭ) *n* : the polestar. (*There, beneath the Great Bear, we saw the* walesa.)

watt (wät) *n.* **1:** a steal leading to a give-away **2:** a man-made natural disaster

williams ('wil yumz) see villechaize.

youngman ('yung-mun) *n* : an overripe banana. **syn.** amsterdam, berle.

WRITER- FRANK JACOBS

CLASS ACT DEPT.

Every year, Academy Awards are presented to the best actors and actresses in the Motion Picture Industry. But what about all the other industries where "acting" is important? Like f'rinstance those real-life performances that take place every day in our schools! We think it's about time that the actors and actresses in our Educational System were given the recognition that is due them! Here we go with:

ACADEMY AWARDS FOR TEACHERS

ARTIST: GEORGE WOODBRIDGE WRITER: LOU SILVERSTONE

Welcome.. to the fabulously plush **"Teachers' Lounge"** of the scandalously constructed **Alfred E. Neuman High School** ..where all of the greats and near-greats of **Education** are gathered to witness the **"First Annual MAD Academy Awards For Teaching"!**

Incidentally, the "Teachers' Lounge" is the **favorite room** of the faculty members of any typical High School! Here is where they can **relax,** light up a **cigarette,** puff a **joint,** down a **drink** or **whatever!** In other words, it's the **only** place in the **school** where the **Teachers** can enjoy the **same privileges** as the **students!**

Tonight, the **winners** in each category will receive this coveted **gold statue,** the **"Edward,"** named after the **Mayor** of **The Big Apple,** who, in solving a recent financial crisis, put the **Teaching Profession** in its **proper perspective!** Mr. Koch, in his infinite wisdom, decided **against** laying off **Sanitation Workers** ...and instead, **fired 1800 Teachers!!**

Oh-oh! The **house lights** have **dimmed,** so **let's get it on...!**

The first category is for Best Performance in **"CLASSROOM DISCIPLINE"!** And the first nominee is **Alvin Spritz** for his stirring, **"I'm An Adult! I Should Be Able To Cope With A Bunch Of Kids!"**

The second nominee is **Ms. Marlene Mildew** for her fine rendition of, **"I'll Send You To The Principal!"**

How do you **DO** it, Spritz?!? **What's** your **secret?** Why, your kids are **actually quiet!** and they're **WORKING!!**

I'm a **grown man** with **two degrees!** So I **certainly** should be able to handle a bunch of **KIDS!** I used **PSYCHOLOGY** on them! I picked out the **biggest,** the **meanest kid** in the class, **Rocco Barbello...**

Don't tell me you **beat him up?!?**

Me?! Beat **him** up?! **No way!! I paid him** to keep the **others** in **line!** Anybody gives me **trouble,** they've got to deal with **Rocco** after school!

I've **solved** the **discipline problem** in my classes! If any of my students **get out of line** or **give me a hard time,** I threaten to send 'em down to the **Principal!**

No but it **terrorizes** the **Principal!**

You mean to tell me **that actually SCARES** the kids?

He doesn't want any of those **monsters** hanging out in **his** office, so he **doesn't put** any unruly kids in **my classes!**

And the **winner** is **Mr. Matthew Frankfurter** for his heart-rending interpretation of **"It's A Jungle In There!"**...

I'm **sorry**, Sir! I **refuse to teach** in that animal house!! If—if I go **back in there**, I swear I'm gonna be **KILLED!!**

They're **only children**, Frankfurter! Didn't they teach you how to **handle** a few wild kids?!

I'm **afraid not!** At the college I went to, they **didn't offer** us courses in **Kung Fu** and **Karate!!**

Congratulations, Mr. Frankfurter! Here's your **"Edward"**! I guess it's **pretty rough** dealing with High School kids these days!

What High School kids?! I teach **SECOND GRADE!**

The next category is for Best Performance in a **"TEACHERS' STRIKE"**! And the first nominee is **Ms. Zelda Hornhonker** for her magnificent portrayal of **"Striking Is The American Way!"**

The second nominee is **Mr. Kenneth Klutz** for his touching and convincing performance in **"The Public Is Behind Us 100%!"**

You **KNOW** that it's **against the law** for **Teachers to strike!** And besides, you're **setting a bad example** for your **students!**

Nonsense!! We're actually **showing them** how Americans have **ALWAYS dealt** with **unfair** and **unjust working conditions**... by resorting to their **Constitutional right** of **peaceful protest!**

Right on, Ms. Hornhonker! And when you're **back at work, WE'RE** gonna follow your **example**... and go out on strike against **homework!**

Listen ...the **public** is **behind** this strike **100%!**

Let's see! How do **you** feel about strikes by employees of an essential industry?

It's the **worst thing** that can **happen!**

In your opinion, then, the Teachers should **not** be on strike?!

Teachers?!? Are **them** bums striking? I thought you were talking about **Pro Football Players!!**

MOTHERS AGAINST UNLAWFUL STRIKES

LOCAL 716, A.F.T. ON STRIKE

TEACHERS HAVE RIGHTS TOO!

BEER

And the **winner** is **Mrs. Mildred Schmerz** for her **"We're Not In This For Any Personal Gain! We're Doing It For The Children!"**

Congratulations, Mrs. Schmerz, not only for winning this **"Edward"**, but for winning a **pay increase** with your controversial strike!

Big deal! They gave us a **few dollars more**...and then they **increased the sizes of our classes** from **25** to **35!** The **raise** won't even keep us in the **extra aspirin** we'll need!

We're **not** doing this for **OURSELVES!** We're doing it because **adequately-paid Teachers** will mean that your **children** will get a **decent education!**

Hah! You people are **ALREADY overpaid!** Hell, you **only** work a **six hour day!!**

ONLY six hours?! **Listen**, Mister . when was the last time **YOU** spent a **six hour day** with **YOUR rotten kid?!**

AFTER ALL, FAIR'S FAIR!

The next category is **"THE REWARDS OF A TEACHING CAREER,"** and the first nominee is **Mr. Sidney Gromitz** for his splendid performance of **"One Of The Great Thrills Of A Teaching Career Is Seeing Your Students Graduate And Go Out And Take Their Place In The World!"**

The second nominee is **Mr. Rodney Alan Dinklehoffer** for his excellent portrayal of **"Teachers Don't Get No Respect!"**

I always get **choked up** at Graduation!

Just think! These young people **we've taught** are going out into the **real world!** I **especially like this year!**

What's so **special** about **THIS year?**

Since **Reagan** was **elected,** things are **tough** out there! **Now** these clowns **can't** step right into **high-paying jobs** ...and then **laugh** at all us **slobs** barely making a **living** on our **Teachers' salaries!!**

No wonder the kids don't pay attention to me! The **JANITOR** gets more money than I do! Even the guy who delivers the **MILK** makes more than me!!

Then why don't **YOU** get a job as a **janitor** or a **milkman?!?**

WHAT?!? And just **THROW AWAY** my **six years** of **college?!**

And the **winner** is **Mr. Victor Brioche** for his memorable performance in **"I Didn't Go Into Teaching For Monetary Gain!"**

I KNEW I would never get rich being a Teacher! But there are **more important things** in life than money!

Like **getting off work** at **3 P.M.,** having **all holidays off,** and **not** having to work **all summer!** It's a **great profession** for **lazy slobs!**

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Unfortunately, Mr. Brioche **couldn't be with us!** But here to **accept** his award is **one** of his **students!**

Mr. Brioche **couldn't be with us** because **today** is **Friday**— and he **always** takes his **sick leave** on **Fridays!** That way, he can have a **long week-end!**

The next category is for Best Performance in **"EXTRA DUTY ASSIGNMENTS,"** and the first nominee is **Mr. Carl Cravitz** for his touching interpretation of **"We Must Obey The Rules!"**

The second nominee is **Mr. Francis Fungold** for his inspiring **"The Power Of Prayer!"**

You boys are **supposed** to be in **Class...not** wandering around the **halls!** And since **I'm** on **Hall Duty,** I'm going to have to send a **note** home to your **parents,** Dimwitty! **Sorry,** but that's one of the **Principal's** rules, **not mine!**

Hey, that's **not fair!!** Aren't you gonna send a note home to **GRUBER's parents?!?**

There's **another** rule that goes... **"Never** send a note home if the **student** is **BIGGER** than the **Teacher!" Sorry,** but that's **not** one of the **Principal's** rules...it's **MINE!!**

RUGBY

Pardon me, Fungold!! I didn't know you were into **RELIGION!**

Actually, I'm **not!** I just found out that I've been assigned as the **Cafeteria Monitor** all next week... and I'm sure gonna **need** all the **help** I can **get!!**

Mind if I **JOIN** you?!? I'm **Faculty Rep** at the **Basketball Game!!**

And the **winner** is **Miss Hester Primm** for her heartwarming **"Being A Chaperon At The Prom Is A Learning Experience!"**

I **really enjoy** this job, chaperoning the School Prom! It's so...so **EDUCATIONAL** ...**watching** these youngsters...the way they **behave**...and **relate** to one another!

Yeah! It's like taking a **course** at **"Masters and Johnson"!!**

Congratulations, Miss Primm! I'll bet being **Chaperon** took you back to **YOUR School Prom!**

Are you kidding?! **MY** School Prom was **never** like **THAT!** Which is **why** I'm **volunteering** to be **Chaperon** again **NEXT year! I can't WAIT!!**

The last category is for Best Performance in **"PASSING OR FAILING STUDENTS,"** and the first nominee is **Mr. Al Mulcher** for his **"It's Not My Fault! They Shouldn't Be In My Class!"**

The second nominee is **Mr. Robert Blinders** for his inspired interpretation of **"Good Test Scores Depend On The Right Teacher!"**

I **don't believe** these **exam papers!** Why, **half** these kids can't even **read!!** They **don't belong** in **this grade!!**

Then **why** don't you **FLUNK them!?!**

Are you **crazy?!?** If I **flunk** them they'll be **LEFT BACK** and I'll have them in my class again **NEXT year!**

How do you **do** it, Bob? Your class scored **way above** the **national average!!**

It's all in the **technique** I use when I give an exam! I have a **very special method!**

What **IS** it, Man?!? What's the **secret** you use for getting such high test scores?

It's **very simple! I look** the **other way** when they **CHEAT!**

And the **winner** is **Mr. Thomas Spittle** for his outstanding work in **"God Knows, I've Tried To Give You Kids A Break!"**

I just **don't understand** what **happened** to you kids! I **went over** all this material in **class!** But the **test results** were **terrible!** So to be **fair,** I've **graded** you on a **CURVE!**

But.. **that** means that **HALF** the class **FLUNKED!**

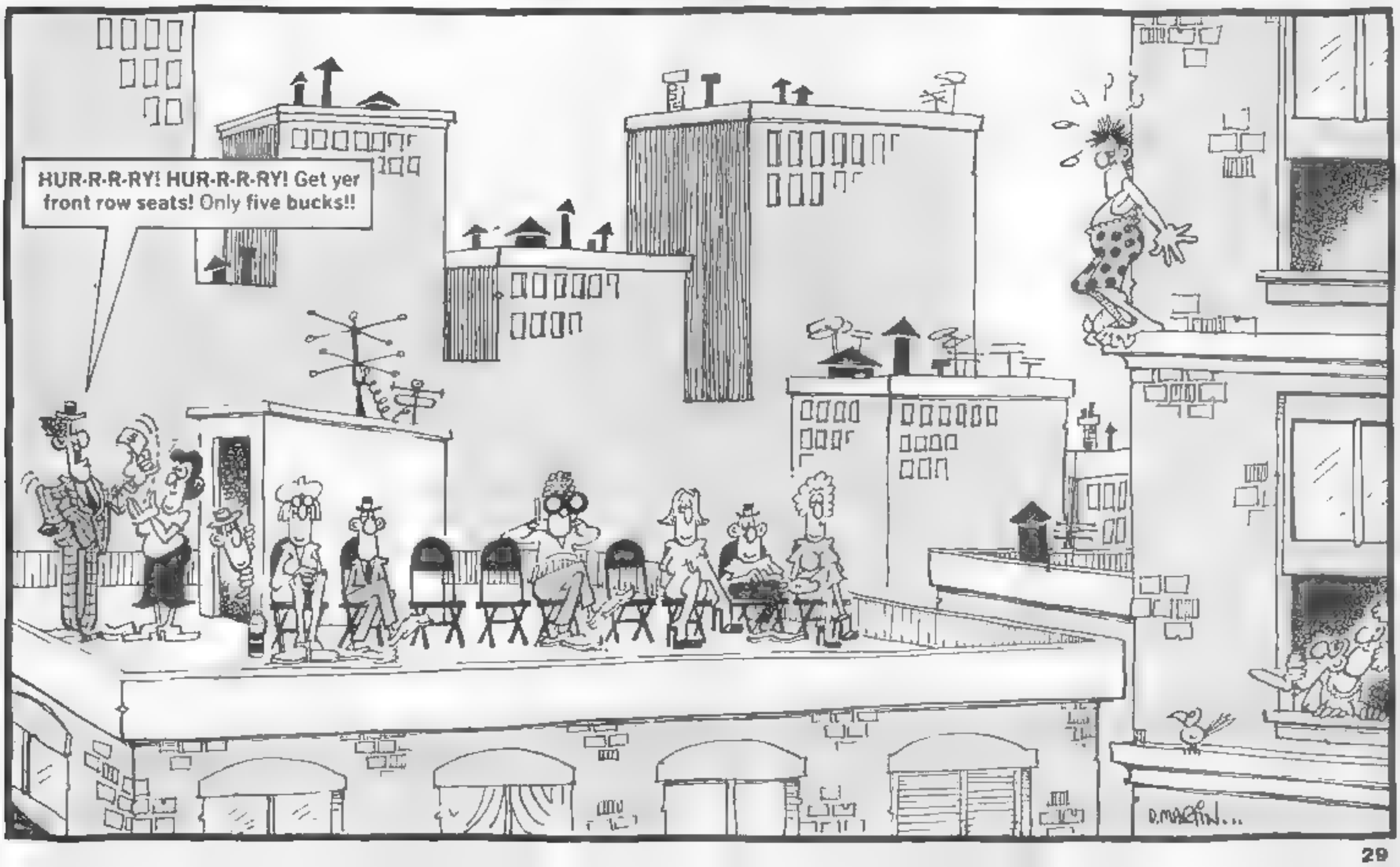
Don't complain!! If I'd graded you on a **straight percentage,** the **WHOLE CLASS** would've flunked!

Congratulations, Mr Spittle and I think it was **really nice** of you to **grade** on a **curve** and **help half your class to pass!**

I didn't do it for **them! I did** it for **ME!** How would it look on my **record** if my **WHOLE CLASS flunked an exam?**

That's our **Academy Awards Show!** A wise man once said, "Those who **can, DO!** Those who **can't, TEACH!** And those who **can't even TEACH** become **School Principals!"** G'night!

ONE AFTERNOON IN A LARGE CITY



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In issue No. 180 (Jan. '76), we ran an article we didn't think very much of! But, we were wrong. People wrote in and told us how much they loved it. And so, since

TIME FLIES...TIM

TIME FLIES...

...when you're playing a video game.

TIME DRAGS...

...when your friend is playing it.

TIME FLIES...

...during your summer vacation.

ARTIST: PAUL COKER

TIME FLIES...

...when a beautiful nurse is giving you a rub-down.

TIME DRAGS...

...when a male nurse is giving you a rub-down.

TIME DRAGS...

...when you're waiting for the phone to ring.

TIME FLIES...

...when you're trying to answer it before the caller hangs up.

TIME FLIES...

...between the times you have to take your dog out.

TIME DRAGS...

...while you're waiting for him to finish what you took him out to do.

TIME FLIES...

...when you're in a deep sleep.

we're very sensitive to our readers' likes and dislikes, we're running this new version of the article, a mere seven years later! And you thought we didn't care!

ME DRAGS... (AND VICE VERSA)

TIME DRAGS...

...until the next one starts.

TIME FLIES...

...when you take a final exam.

TIME DRAGS...

...when you wait for the results.

WRITER STAN HART

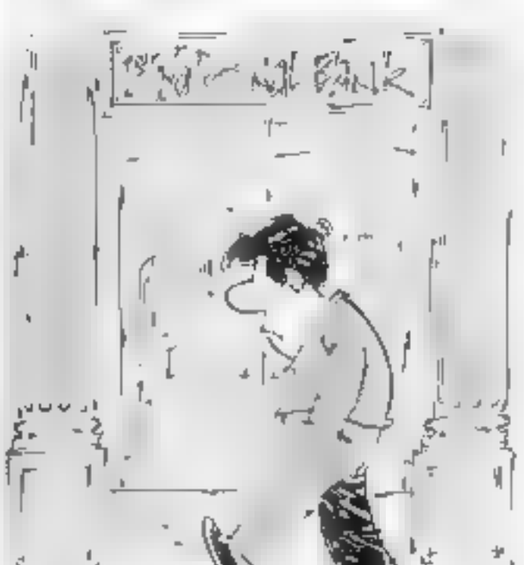
TIME DRAGS...

...when you're waiting for the girl to get undressed.

TIME FLIES...

...when she is undressed.

TIME DRAGS...



...between bank deposits.

TIME FLIES...

...between bank withdrawals.

TIME DRAGS...

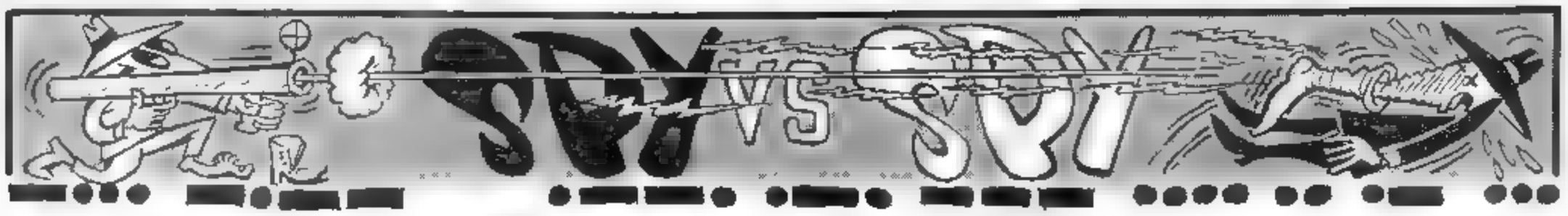
...when you have insomnia.

TIME DRAGS...

...when you wait for the pizza to go from "boiling" to just "red hot."

TIME FLIES...

...when the same pizza goes from "red hot" to "ice cold."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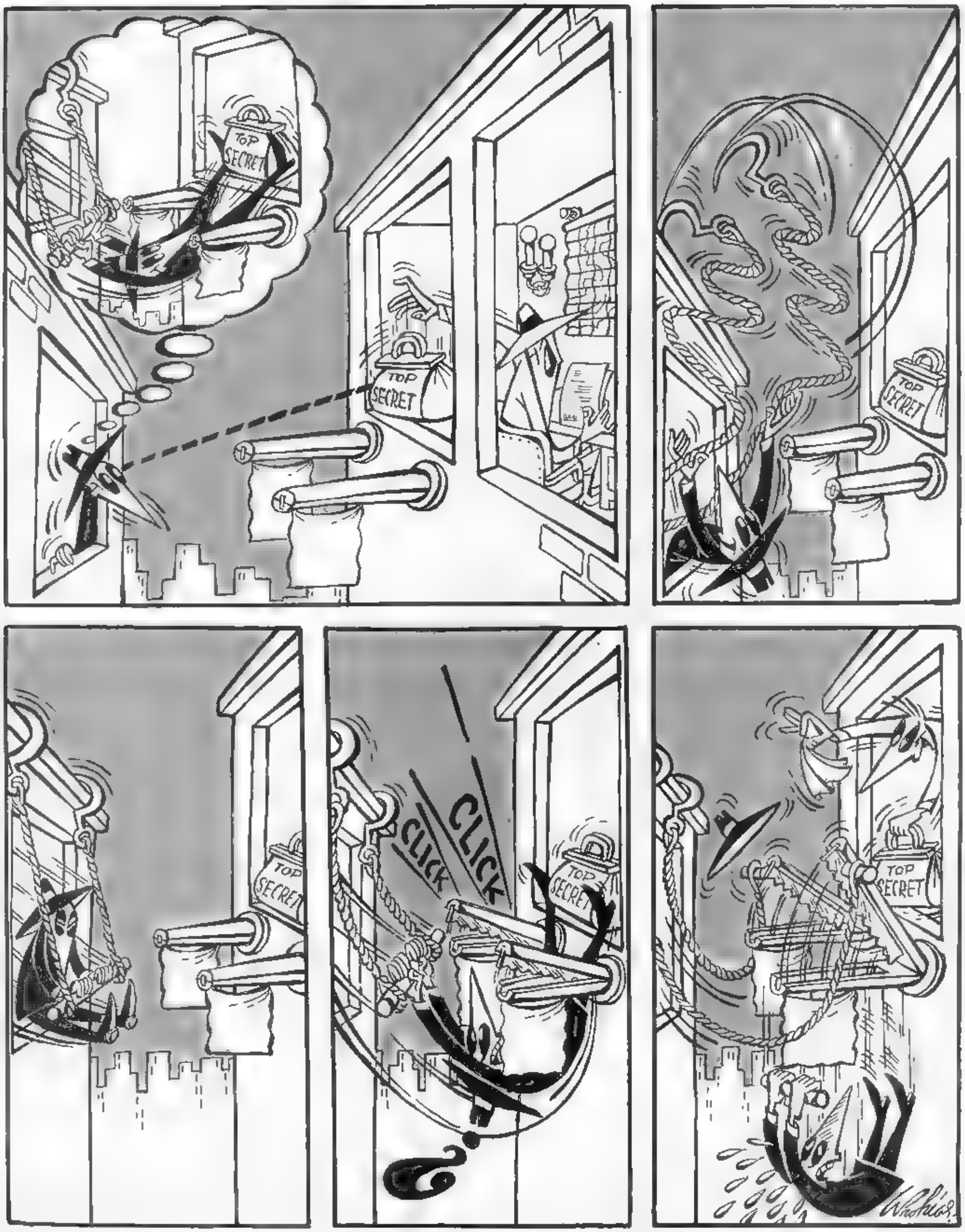
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LEMON AID DEPT.

With foreign car makers driving their American competitors closer and closer to bankruptcy each year because their products are cheaper and better manufactured, it's rather ridiculous to see Detroit still publishing those cheery New Car Owner's Manuals that make you think you got a bargain on a perfect product, and that any small problem that may arise will be the result of your own misuse or neglect. Not only is this dishonest, but it also leaves buyers of American cars unprepared to cope with the mishaps that probably await them. We think the time has come for Detroit to start leveling with the car buying public by issuing something like...

THE MAD OWNER'S MANUAL FOR A NEW AMERICAN CAR

ARTIST: AL JAFFEE WRITER: TOM KOCH

LEARNING TO LIVE WITH YOUR DECISION TO BUY THE NEW 1984 FURD MONGOOSE

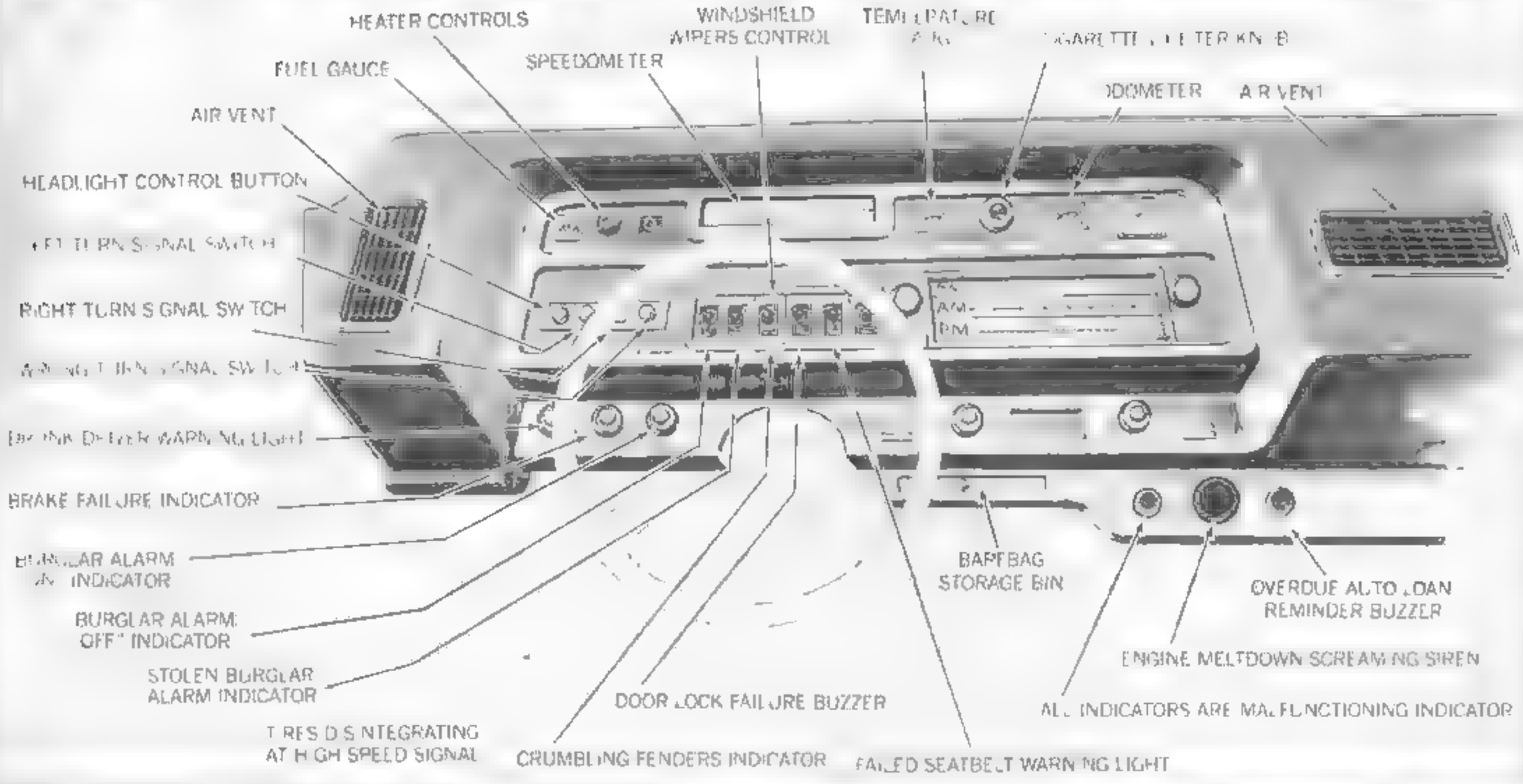
Congratulations! With your purchase of the new Furd Mongoose, you have joined the dwindling ranks of gutsy motorists who show enough patriotism, enough sense of adventure and enough stupidity to buy an American-built automobile. It is our fervent hope that you will also show enough maturity and emotional balance to remain calm once you discover that the '84 Furd Mongoose is not quite as dependable as the salesman promised it would be before you bought it.

Although you may feel tempted to look upon your new Mongoose as a piece of junk, try to appreciate the fact that this year's model could have turned out even worse than it did. For one thing, most of the cars were assembled while half of our workers were out on strike. And even when all of them were present, many were goofing off, spending their day hanging around the coffee machines.

This, of course, resulted in numerous defective cars rolling off the assembly line with some of their parts missing. Few of these defects were caught by our supervisors because they goof off and hang around the coffee machines even more than our assembly workers. So you can understand how miraculous it is that we've been able to continue building cars at all when good help is so hard to find. And besides, how much quality do you expect for less than $12,000?

We wish you many years of happy motoring...crawling under the engine, hanging around the repair shop and all the other wonderful things you'll be doing once you start driving your Furd Mongoose.

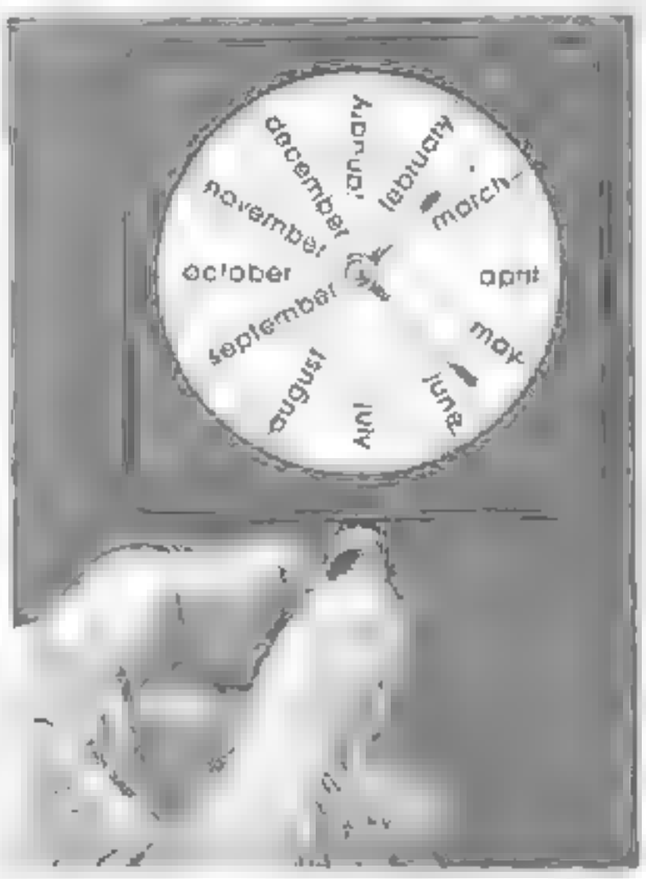
UNDERSTANDING THE QUIRKS OF YOUR NEW CAR'S INSTRUMENTS AND CONTROLS



OPERATING

1. Situate yourself comfortably in the driver's seat, and then close the door securely. If the door fails to latch tightly due to faulty installation or poor manufacture, keep opening it and slamming it hard until it either (A) closes, or (B) fights back by letting the door window shatter or fall out.

2. Before attempting to start the engine, remember to wind and set the instrument panel clock. This enables you to calculate how long it takes the tow truck to arrive, in case the engine fails to start.



3. Pump the accelerator three or four times before turning on the ignition. This may cause the engine to flood... but that's a heck of a lot better than waiting until you get into traffic to discover that the accelerator pedal usually comes unbolted, leaving you with no control over the car's speed.

1. AIR VENT–This louver is designed to let fresh air circulate through the passenger compartment. Also, to let bus fumes, pig smells and other outside odors circulate through the passenger compartment. Do not try to close this vent, even during freezing winter weather...because it doesn't!

2. FUEL GAGE–Anticipate that the needle will remain stuck on "FULL" until the tank is half empty. Then, when the needle drops to the halfway mark, the tank will be almost empty. So you will never see the needle drop any further than halfway...because by that time, you will already be walking to the nearest gas station.

3. HEATER CONTROLS–By sliding the handy levers back and forth, you are able to control the climate inside the passenger compartment. Choices range from cold air blowing on your feet to hot blasts blowing in your face. Experiment with the available settings until you find the one that causes the least amount of suffering.

4. SPEEDOMETER–Even though the '84 Furd Mongoose has the same engine as the '83 model, the speedometer has been stepped up to record a maximum of 160 MPH, rather than the previous 90 MPH. This amazing improvement was included to make you feel like you're driving a sports car. (Actually, the Mongoose's top speed again this year is 67 MPH–with a strong tail wind.)

5. TEMPERATURE GAUGE–This dial is designed to enhance your driving pleasure in heavy traffic on hot summer days by giving you something to watch as it climbs into the red danger zone.

6. WINDSHIELD WIPERS CONTROL–A partial turn to the right activates wipers at half-speed. A full turn is for fast speed. However, either move may cause the wipers to remain off, and the electric windows to go down instead. This is because there are a whole lot of little wires all bunched together under the dash and it's hard for our unskilled workers to get them all connected to each other correctly.

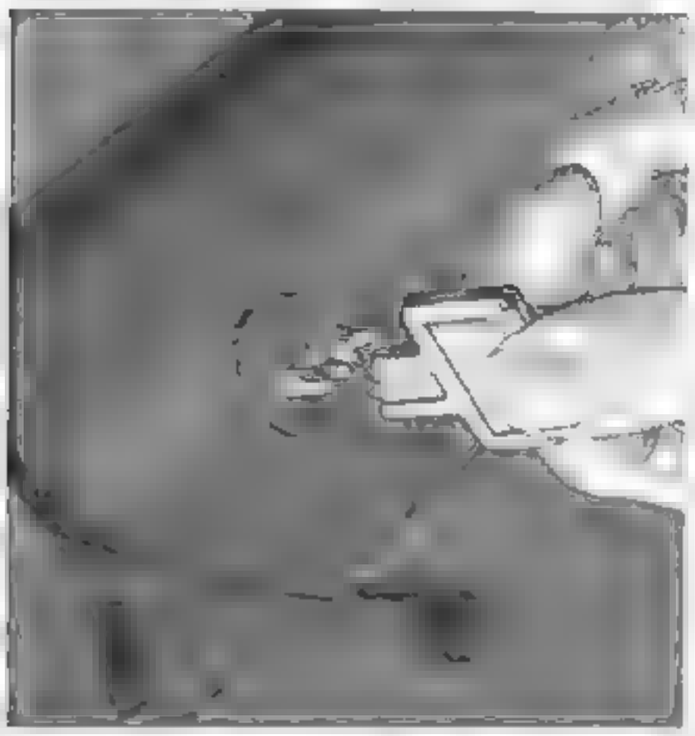
7. ODOMETER– This is the gizmo that shows you exactly how far the car has been driven, unless the car has been driven more than 9,999 miles...which you can bet your life this car won't be!...and which is why 9,999 miles is the maximum distance the '84 Furd Mongoose's odometer needs to register.

8. CIGARETTE LIGHTER KNOB–Before you push this button, stop to consider that smoking is hazardous to your health. Then, stop to consider that pushing in this button may also be hazardous to your health because the connecting wire is wrapped around the battery cable, and so is the powered radio antenna wire...which could result in the electrocution of anyone who touches it during a thunderstorm.

9. HEADLIGHT CONTROL BUTTON–Pull knob out to the first position, and the parking lights will come on. Pull knob out to the second position, and the headlights will come on. Pull knob all the way out...and it will come off in your hand. So look out!

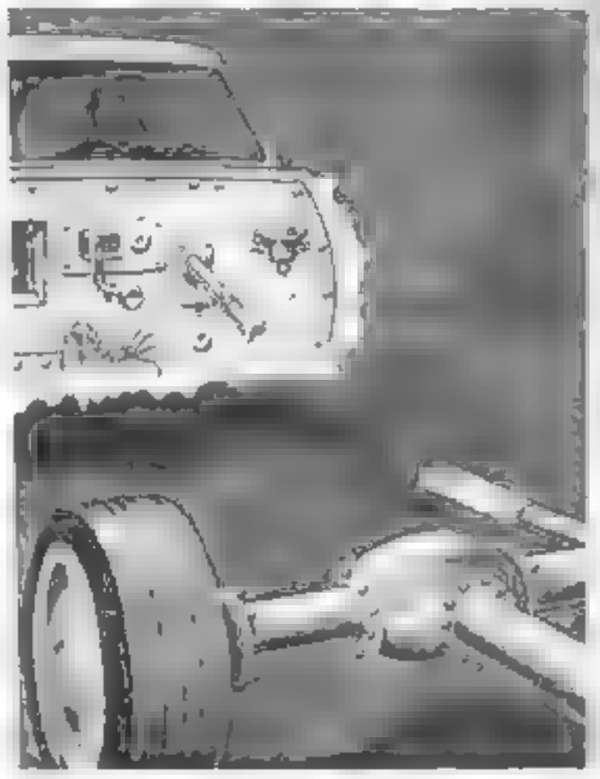
INSTRUCTIONS

4. Turn the ignition key all the way to the right to activate the starter, and start the engine. If the starter fails to respond, you probably have a defective battery. If the starter operates, but the engine fails to catch, you probably have a broken fuel line. If everything works as it should, you probably got into someone else's car.



5. Drive slowly for the first few blocks to bring the engine to a normal operating temperature of 160°. If the operating temperature quickly rises to 212° instead, it may be that your car was assembled on a day when the guy who installs the fan belts was out sick. This is no big problem. Merely take a taxi to the nearest Mongoose dealer, buy a fan belt and return by taxi to install it.

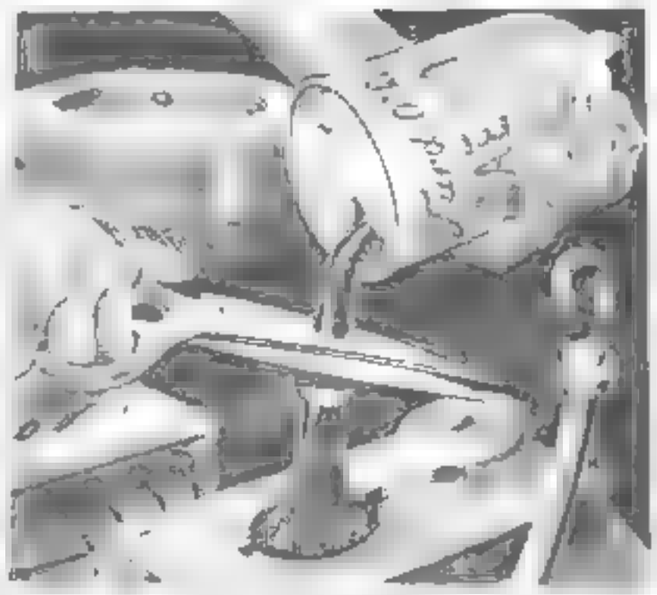
6. Even when you are out on the open highway, NEVER, NEVER, NEVER shift into "Overdrive"! Overdrive is that fuel saving thing we just couldn't get perfected, but decided to install in this year's Mongoose anyway!



MAINTAINING YOUR

Many current foreign cars are so well built that they do not need your help to keep them running indefinitely. You will be delighted to learn that this is not the case with your new Furd Mongoose. It desperately needs your constant

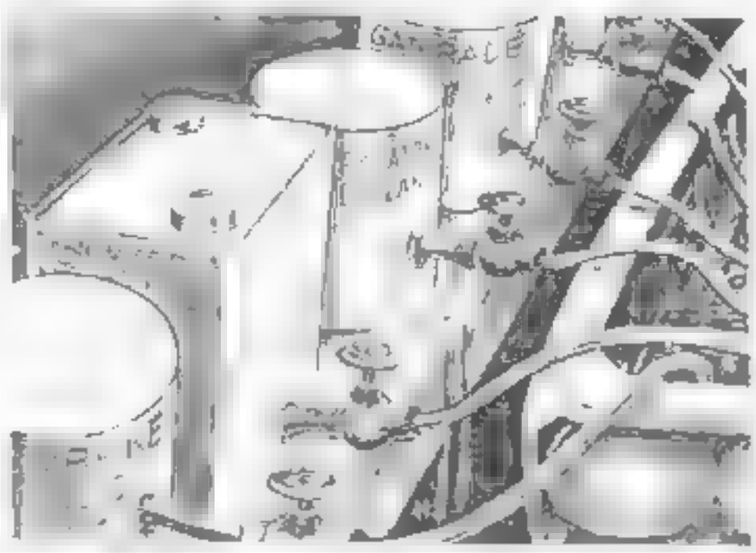
CHECK OIL LEVEL DAILY



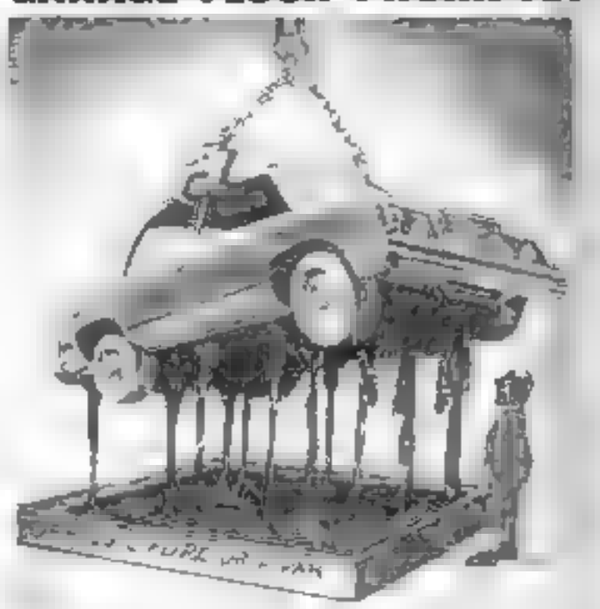
As indicated elsewhere in this manual, the engine parts in your new Mongoose fit loosely because they were put together in haste, which means that oil will leak out the cracks. So use only Furd 90-W Oil to fill the crankcase. Its gummy, sludgelike quality enables our oil to stick to the engine, unlike those cheaper brands that will merely dribble out all over your garage floor.

CHECK OTHER FLUIDS REGULARLY

Sloppy hose fittings make it necessary to check the radiator coolant level in your new Mongoose every 75 miles. It is also recommended that you do what you can to avoid costly repairs by checking the brake fluid every 100 miles, the transmission fluid every 150 miles and the windshield shpritzer fluid every 200 miles. If low, refill only with approved Furd Radiator Coolant, Furd Brake Fluid, Furd Transmission Fluid and Furd Pure Windshield Water.



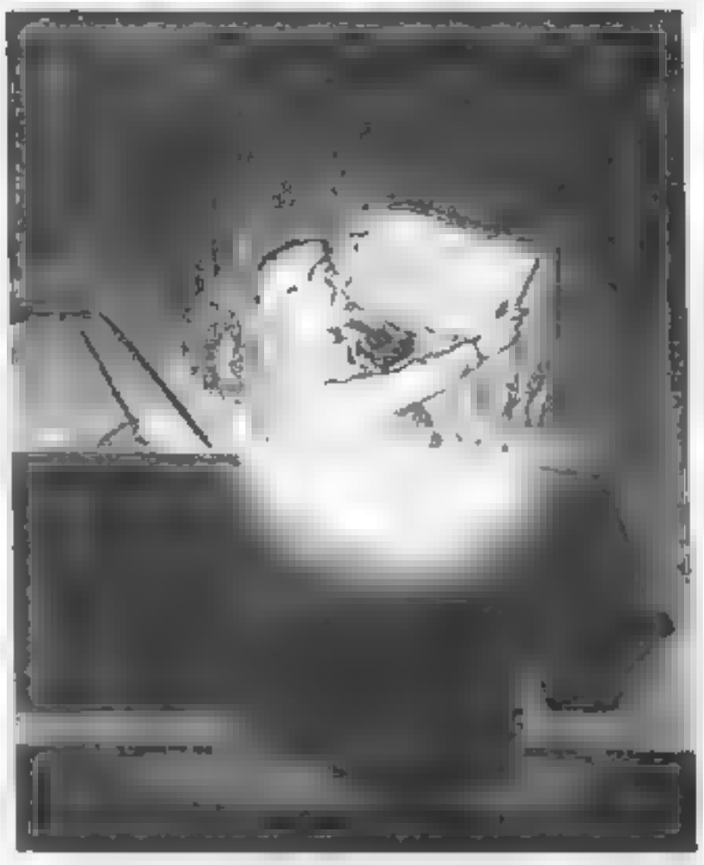
COLLECT DRIPPAGE FROM GARAGE FLOOR PROMPTLY



The tires on your new Mongoose may rot if the vehicle is left to stand overnight in its own corrosive drippings. To prevent this, place pan under the engine. For best results and continued happy motoring, use only an approved Mongoose Drip Pan.

THE BREAKING-IN PERIOD

During the first 100 miles of your new car's operation, do not drive at speeds above 30 MPH. This will lessen the risk of injury to occupants when parts that were improperly assembled at the factory drop out and are run over by the rear wheels. After the first 100 miles, it would be most wise and prudent not to exceed 30 MPH with this car in any case.



For proper breaking-in, your new Mongoose has been equipped with special light weight break-in oil...unless we forgot to put it in! If such is the case, the dipstick will appear dry when removed. Also, the gaskets will appear black after a few miles of driving, the pistons will appear scorched and, in most cases, the entire engine will appear to be on fire.

After the first 1000 miles, return the car to your Mongoose Dealer where you will receive your Initial Service Inspection. With extraordinary luck, you may also receive a handsome gold trophy for being the first Mongoose owner to drive a full 1000 miles—without having to bring the car back in earlier to have something fixed.

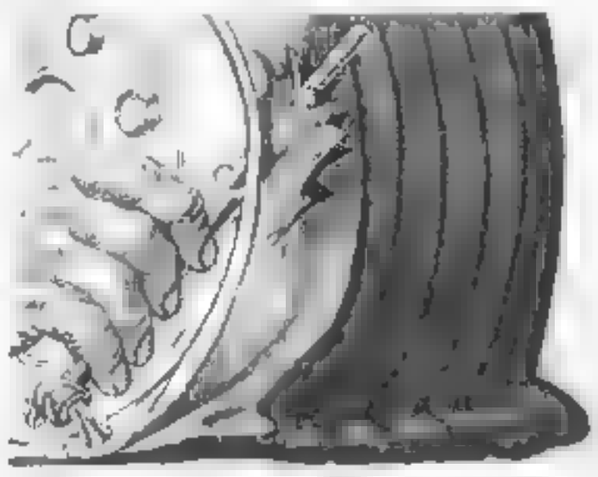
R NEW MONGOOSE

loving care and attention (not to mention a lot of your hard-earned bucks) to stay alive. Follow the maintenance tips listed in this section, and your '84 Mongoose should reward you with dozens of miles of trouble-free driving.

REPLACE BURNED-OUT HEADLAMPS PROMPTLY

Driving with burned-out headlamps is dangerous. However, it is almost as dangerous to try to replace them in your new Mongoose without assistance. That's because the one-piece fender and grill unit was welded after the original lights were installed. As a result, they can only be replaced by a midget who must crawl between the engine and the fender well. (See your Mongoose Dealer for a list of service stations employing midgets.)

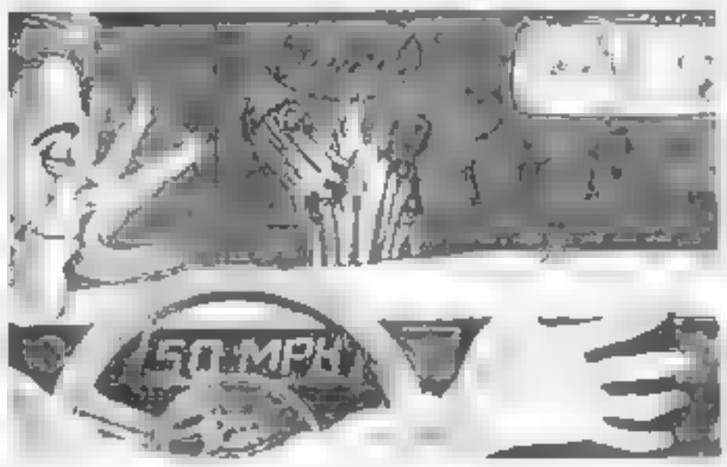
KEEP YOUR TIRES PROPERLY INFLATED



For normal driving, maintain tire pressure at 29 lbs. You will soon find that this requires frequent stops for air because the company saved you money by equipping your 1984 Mongoose with leftover tires made for the 1957 DeSoto. The difference in wheel size results in a considerable air loss! However, it should be remembered that this inconvenience is saving you $28.00.

CHECK WHEEL ALIGNMENT AT FREQUENT INTERVALS

Your Mongoose Dealer will tell you that almost everything that goes wrong with your car will be your fault because you let your wheels get out of alignment. Be ready to challenge this claim by checking your alignment regularly! To do this, remove both hands from the steering wheel at 50 MPH. If the vehicle swerves into a ditch, or careens into oncoming traffic, return it to your Furd Mongoose Dealer at once for professional safety maintenance.



YOUR FURD MONGOOSE WARRANTY

YOUR NEW 1984 FURD MONGOOSE (SERIAL NUMBER _____) IS COVERED BY THIS FULL WARRANTY FOR THE FIRST 6 MONTHS OR 10,000 MILES OF OWNERSHIP, WHICHEVER COMES FIRST. THERE ARE ABSOLUTELY NO CONDITIONS OR EXCLUSIONS OF ANY TYPE...EXCEPT FOR THE CONDITIONS AND EXCLUSIONS LISTED HEREIN, WHICH YOU BETTER READ OR ELSE.

1. Even though "All Parts And Labor Will Be Provided Free While This Warranty Is In Effect", Furd Mongoose Repair Centers may impose a Service Fee equal to 100% of the "standard charge" for parts and labor
2. Operating this vehicle without having it Winterized whenever the temperature drops below 50°, or having it Summerized whenever the temperature rises above 70°, will invalidate this warranty. Winterizing and Summerizing must be performed at Owner's expense by a qualified Mongoose Dealer
3 We'll decide later which Dealers are qualified and which ones aren t
4. The owner must state the exact nature of the mechanical difficulty when presenting the car for warranty work. Naturally, Dealers must impose the standard labor charge while wasting time hunting for undiagnosed problems. Since most mechanical problems take six hours to find and ten minutes to fix, you can see where a deal like this leaves you
5. The company is not responsible for damage to parts caused by dirty spark plugs. The company is also not responsible for discovering that your spark plugs are dirty, even if you installed brand new clean ones the day before.
6. Cars that have been deliberately driven on publicly maintained highways and privately owned driveways are no longer covered by this warranty.

NOTE: YOUR FURD MONGOOSE DEALER RESERVES THE RIGHT TO SERVE PAYING CUSTOMERS FIRST, AND TO DISCLAIM ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR YOUR WARRANTY EXPIRING BEFORE HE GETS AROUND TO YOU!

THAT'S CHAUV BIZ! DEPT.

Today, the U.N. isn't working, wars are breaking out everywhere, and peace is as elusive as it ever was. The basic differences between the peoples of the world just cannot seem to be resolved. To illustrate this fact, MAD recently did some

IT'S A MAD,

IF THEIR NATION PRODUCED AN ATHLETE WHO COULD RUN A THREE-MINUTE MILE...

...the CZECHS would send him to the Olympics accompanied by fifty bodyguards to make sure he couldn't try to defect to the West.

...the UGANDANS would never find out how fast he could run because nobody has a watch.

...the VIETNAMESE would assign him to pulling the Communist Party Chairman's rickshaw.

...the AMERICANS would never even get to see him in a national track meet because an N.F.L. team would quickly sign him up for a million bucks a year... as a "punt returner."

IF A RECESSION CAUSED ONE-THIRD OF THE NATION'S WORKERS TO BE UNEMPLOYED...

...the EGYPTIANS would hail it as a great step forward, because two-thirds of their nation's workers have been unemployed for years.

...the CANADIANS would cut the rate by encouraging their unemployed to move to Detroit or to Buffalo and be unemployed there instead.

...the CAMBODIANS would shoot everyone without a job as a traitor, then proudly announce that the country had achieved full employment.

...the AMERICANS would put half of their unemployed labor force to work processing the welfare application papers of the other half.

IF THE NATION'S FARMERS PRODUCED A SURPLUS OF WHEAT HARVEST...

...the BRAZILIANS would sell it overseas so wealthy land owners could afford to build bigger mansions while the peasants starved.

...the FRENCH would find a way of making a new and exciting vintage wine out of it.

...the RUSSIANS would stop buying grain from the U.S. after announcing that they'd just discovered Americans are Imperialists.

...the AMERICANS would give it away free to emerging Third World nations so that the poor people all around the U.S. would still have to pay $1.59 for a lousy box of cereal.

research to determine exactly how we Americans and the peoples of other cultures and nations around the world might react to a series of possible events. And the results... which came as no surprise to us... only goes to prove the old adage:

MAD WORLD!

ARTIST: JACK DAVIS WRITER: TOM KOCH

IF MORE THAN TWO PEOPLE WERE OBSERVED TOGETHER ON A STREET CORNER...

...the LIBYANS would form a bigger group so they could all chant anti-American slogans.

...the JAPANESE would take their pictures because such gatherings must always be recorded on film to be treasured in years to come.

...the RUSSIANS would hold them for questioning because people who talk to each other may be saying something bad about the State.

...the AMERICANS would conduct a public opinion poll among them to determine what TV shows the entire USA will watch next season.

IF TRAFFIC IN A COUNTRY'S LARGEST CITY BECAME COMPLETELY UNCONTROLLABLE...

...the ITALIANS would remove all the stop lights, and give a medal to every pedestrian and motorist who was still alive a year later.

...the BRAZILIANS would abandon that old city and build a new one, where the traffic would also become completely uncontrollable.

...the MEXICANS would put a lot more old buses and gasping taxies on the streets in an effort to bring traffic to a final standstill.

...the AMERICANS would attack the problem by spending billions to construct a new interstate highway... between Denver and Cheyenne.

IF A WORLD'S FAIR WERE HELD IN A NEUTRAL, DEVELOPING NATION...

...the RUSSIAN exhibit would feature rosy-cheeked peasant dancers who were really secret agents who'd come to start a revolution.

...the NORWEGIAN exhibit would feature Lapland handicrafts such as crocheted earmuffs ...which absolutely no one would go to see.

...the SPANISH exhibit would be completed a little behind schedule, and would open two months after the rest of the fair had closed.

...the AMERICAN exhibit would feature "The Fantastic Industrial Computer Of The Future" ...which would blow out every single fuse in the host country the minute it was plugged in.

IF A SMALL GROUP OF PEOPLE DISAGREED WITH GOVERNMENT POLICY...

...the NICARAGUANS would name them "The Popular Front for the Oct. 11th Revolution."

...the IRANIANS would call them American Spies and order them all shot before sundown.

...the RUSSIANS would find them mentally disturbed and send them away for forty years of intense psychiatric treatment in Siberia.

...the AMERICANS would organize them into a committee headed by Jane Fonda or Ed Asner.

IF THEIR NATIONAL TEAM WON THE WORLD SOCCER CUP...

...the ARGENTINIANS would hold a month-long wild celebration, during which the city of Buenos Aires would be totally destroyed.

...the BULGARIANS would put out a special series of 38 commemorative postage stamps.

...the GUATAMALANS would use the victory as a good excuse to go to war with Honduras.

...the AMERICANS would read all about it in a big three-line story on the sports page ...under the "High School Basketball Scores."

IF A TRAIN CAPABLE OF TRAVELING 500 MILES AN HOUR WERE DEVELOPED...

...the ITALIANS would run it from Rome to Istanbul at ten miles an hour because they feel the trip is more romantic at that speed.

...the ISRAELIS would run it from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem in six minutes becuase they really don't have anywhere else they can run it.

...the RUSSIANS would run it underneath the ground so no one else would know they had it.

...the AMERICANS would assign it to Amtrak, which would derail it, or park it on a siding outside Chattanooga and misplace it forever.

IF A LONG WEEK-END WERE SCHEDULED TO MARK THE NATION'S INDEPENDENCE DAY...

...the AUSTRALIANS would all celebrate by playing endless rugby matches until everyone in the country had at least one fractured arm.

...the RUSSIANS would all celebrate by going down to Red Square to silently watch this year's thrilling "Tractors and Tanks" parade.

...the EAST GERMANS would all celebrate by picnicking in the countryside, and then trying to sneak under the fence to West Germany.

...the AMERICANS would all celebrate by having 987 people killed in highway accidents.

IF ZAMBIAN TROOPS INVADED ZIMBABWE...

...the FRENCH would sell both sides as many guns and planes as they could pay for in cash.

...the BRITISH would announce that Her Majesty's Navy is rushing to the troubled area, and should arrive there in about two months.

...the RUSSIANS would declare their neutrality, and then dispatch the entire Cuban army to the battlefront to create additional chaos.

...the AMERICANS would threaten to boycott the Olympics if they are ever held in Zambia.

IF THE COUNTRY'S LEADER WAS SCHEDULED TO DELIVER A TV ADDRESS AT 8 P.M....

...the CHINESE would all miss it because they'd all be out spying to make sure their neighbors were watching, as required by law.

...the HAITIANS would fear the worst, and 7000 would flee in leaky boats before 8 P.M.

...the ALBANIANS would be confronted with the burning question of the day: What's TV?

...the AMERICANS would give the speech a TV rating of 11.6... which is better than "Father Murphy" but less than "Happy days."

IF A WORLDWIDE PEACE TREATY WERE PROPOSED AT THE U.N....

...the IRANIANS would immediately get up and walk out, claiming that it was sacrilegious for people to stop killing each other.

...the FRENCH would wait to see how their allies voted so they could display their independence by voting the exact opposite way.

...the SYRIANS would agree to it, but only if it contained a provision to abolish Israel.

...the AMERICANS would agree to it, but only if it contained a provision to make Coca-Cola the official beverage of mainland China.

IF A VOLCANO ERUPTED IN A SMALL, DEFENSELESS COUNTRY...

...the FRENCH would help by offering to sell defective truck parts to the starving.

...the CUBANS would assist by sending in a whole new team of espionage agents to replace those that were lost in the disaster.

...the ARGENTINIANS would overrun the place with troops, after announcing that it really belonged to them since 1768 anyway.

...the AMERICANS would immediately ship tons of food, clothing and medical supplies before discovering that no one in the U.S. State Department knows where the country is.

MISS MASH DEPT.

Once upon a time, there was a TV show that everybody loved because it was warm, witty and real. It dealt with the life and death struggles of soldiers in Korea. It was terrific, and it seemed like it would go on forever. But alas (or is it alack?), nothing goes on forever (although this introduction might break that rule). So it ended. Or so we thought. But then, a TV series based on three of the least interesting characters of the original show was pasted together, and the dead was brought back to life. Or was it?!? Take a look...and see if you agree that there is a life...

Around here, every half hour has **three distinct parts:** One part is the **Comedy,** another part is the **Drama,** and the last part is the **Mystery**...!

What's the **Mystery?**

Trying to discover **which part** is the **COMEDY!!**

Who are the two **Love Birds?**

That's **Klinker,** and his bride, **Soon Leave!** He **married** her in **Korea!** It was a **very bold thing to do** in 1953!

To **get married outside** his **RACE??**

No... to **get married** in a **"DOUBLE GOWN" ceremony!**

Since this show takes place in the **1950's,** we **try** to keep everything **true** to **that period!**

MR D ANJELLO

MRS ALUM POX

MAID IN KOREA

MARRIED

tones

Who says we're **too old** to have **fun,** if you **know** what I **mean!** So **tonight,** let's **make up** for all those years we were apart! First, I'll turn the **lights** down low... and then I'll pour the **wine** and then I'll play some **soft music**... and then, do **know** what I'm **going to do...??**

What...?

I was hoping **you'd** know! **I forgot!!**

Okay... I'll be **right over!!**

I'm **terribly sorry,** Dear, but I have to go to the **Hospital!** It's an **emergency**...!

That's all right, Dear! **Go ahead!!**

Mirkdud you **really are something!** You **didn't object** when I went off to **Korea** for three years, and you **never object** when I get called away to the **Hospital!** I sure **appreciate** your making all these **sacrifices!!**

They're **not** exactly **sacrifices,** Dear! Actually, I **really don't like being WITH you!!**

After MUSH

Ah hah! Now I understand who you **are!**

Huh?!? What do you **mean?**

You're the **cartoonish, pompous, unbelievable "Boss"** who always used to be in TV SitComs— like **"My Little Margie"** —thirty years ago!!

If this show were set in **contemporary** times, our Veteran's Hospital would be **much larger**— thanks to **President Reagan's policies...!**

You mean the hospital would have **more Federal funds?**

No . **more wounded Marines!**

How come you hang around the **Hospital** practically **all** the **time?**

With **Doctors** and **Nurses** like **THEM, prayer** is the **ONLY HOPE you patients really have!!**

ARTIST. ANGELO TORRES

WRITER STAN HART

I have to pick up **Klinker** on the way!

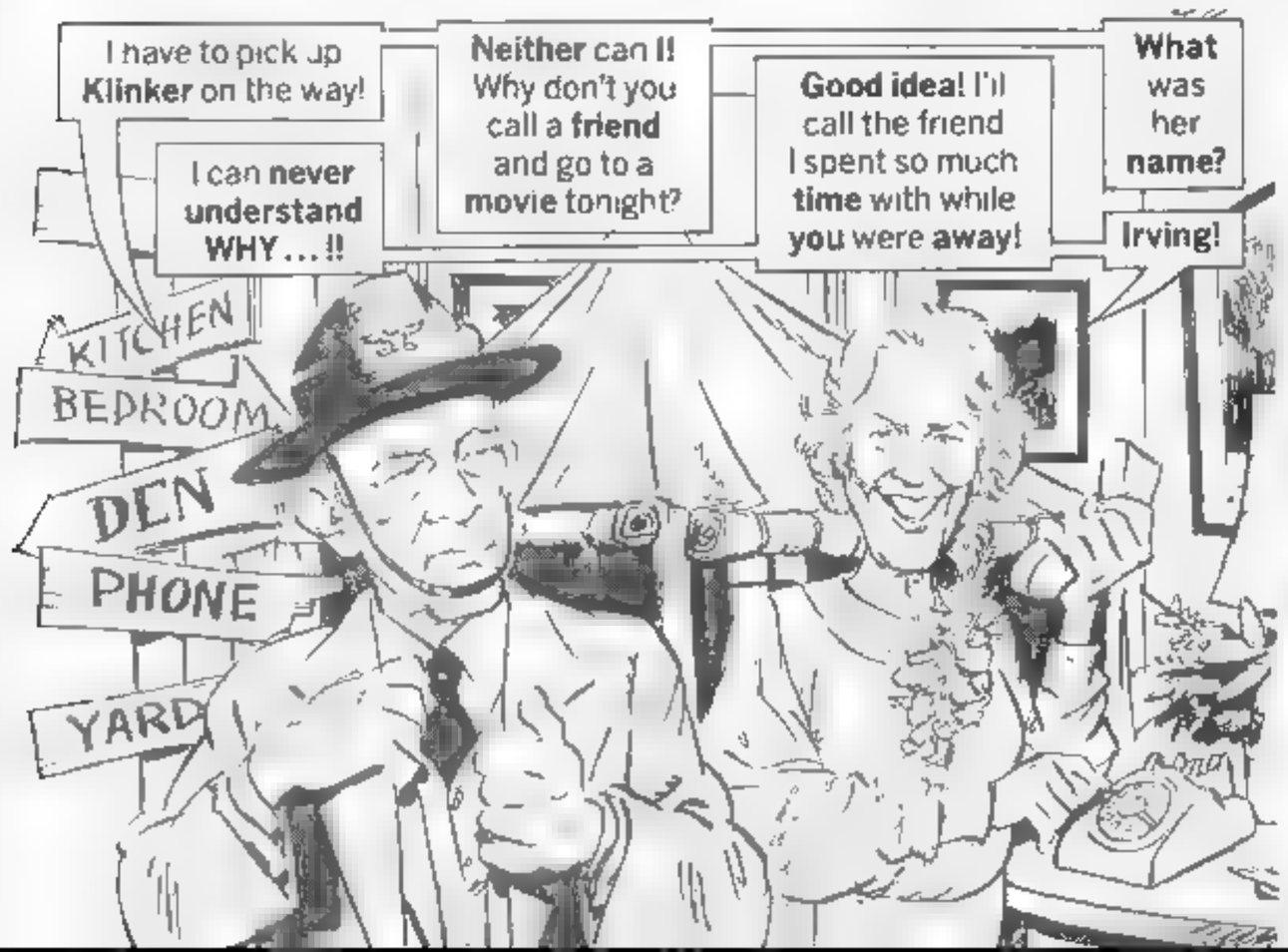
I can **never understand WHY...!!**

Neither can **I!** Why don't you call a **friend** and go to a **movie** tonight?

Good idea! I'll call the friend I spent so much **time** with while **you** were **away!**

What was her **name?**

Irving!



I am **very confused,** my Husband! This is **not** like **Korea!** I am **not used** to your **ways!**

I can **certainly understand that,** Soon Leave! Our ways must seem **FUNNY** to you!

That is **problem!** Your ways **do NOT** seem funny to me! **Not** like they **did** in **Korea,** in **M*A*S*H unit!**

I have to go over to the **Hospital!!**

Of course, my Husband! But... I am going out **later,** and I wish that you would either **NOT WEAR THAT** ... or

SEOUL MATES

..**buy another** set of **underwear** ...so we could **each** have our **own!**

Sorry... but I haven't figured out yet how to make **ends meet** on the **money** they pay me in my **job!**

Just what IS, your **job,** my Husband ..?

I haven't figured **THAT** out yet, **either!**

#1

Look at **poor Father Mulberry!** He's having such a **difficult time adjusting...!**

You mean suddenly going from **wartime** to **peacetime...??**

Well, it **IS** hard to **change** so **abruptly** when you've gotten **used** to something!

No, suddenly going from a **great show** like **M*A*S*H** to **this drivel!**

Do you know what they **have** in our Psycho Ward? **Crazy people,** that's what! Supposing a **Congressman** came and saw **loonies** lying all over the place!? **What** would he **think... ??**

He'd **think** he was **back in Congress!**

Hey, Mr. D'Anjello! You better **come quick!** We got **big troubles!!**

I don't have time now! I have to go to a **Luncheon!** I'm getting an **award** from **"The Society For The Prevention of Mirth"...!**

I wonder what all the **TRUE LIFE VETS think** when they see the **head** of a **Veterans Administration Hospital** portrayed as a **schmuck** like **that?**

They **probably** think it's the **only** bit of **reality** in the **entire show!!**

There we were, at **35,000 feet,** dropping our bombs! The **flak** was **awful!** Then, our **tail section** got shot away, and we had to **bail out!** We were **taken prisoner,** but I don't hold any **grudge** against our captors!

Where'd you get **shot down??**

Over **Kansas City!!**

Gee! That must have been terribly **embarrassing!!**

Maybe **that's** why so **few** of our **crew** show up at **reunions...!!** Please... **don't** let them send me back up!

NUTS!

We'll have to **watch** that ex-GI **closely!**

The **sign** says, **"Sirloin Steak"!**

If **we** have the nerve to call **this garbage "M*A*S*H",** they can call **that Sirloin Steak!**

Yeccch! What **IS** this stuff?

Where do they get the **nerve** to call it **that?**

WATER

QUICK SAND

Hmmmmmm! I **don't remember** seeing anything like **that** before!!

It's **ONLY** an **ingrown toenail!**

That may be...! But I've been doing **combat surgery** for so long, there's only **one thing** I can **suggest!** Go out and get yourself **SHOT in the FOOT!**

What? Why'n'hell would I do a dumb thing like **that?!**

Because **gun-shot wounds** I can **treat!**

BITE THE BULLET

Mr Klinker, you **really turn me on!** You remind me of my **first great love**... whom I **tragically lost!** He **flew off** one day and he **never returned...!**

He was a **PILOT...??**

No, he was a **PARROT!!**

Oh! Do you see what's **going on** between those two!? We've got to **get rid** of that man...!!

Why do you **HATE** him so much, Alum??

Because he does **absolute-ly NOTHING** around here!!

Yeah? **So...?**

That's **YOUR function! I hate DUPLI-CATION!!**

Boy... they **really NEED ME** around this place!!

For **WHAT,** may I ask . ?

When they **run out** of **dumb things** to **say,** they can **always fill** those **empty moments** by doing **jokes** about the **size** or my **nose!**

Who are **you?**

And just **what** do you **do?**

In **other** words, you're our **oldest living CLICHE!!**

I'm the **color-ful "Old Geezer"** that **everybody** always **loves!**

I **GEEZE,** what **else...!** And when I'm **not geezing,** I'm **dancing** . or doing **other "Old Folk" schtick!**

You got it, Sonny!!

I've seen such **TERRIBLE THINGS!** I've seen **men butchering other men**... without blinking an **eye!**

You must **try** to **forget** about Korea?

Korea?! I'm talking about in the **OPER-ATING ROOM!** This Hospital is staffed with **world class INCOMPETENTS!**

SECTION

Son, the **Doctors** in our **Veterans Hospitals** are **every bit as good** as the **Doctors** in our **Civilian Hospitals!**

Really?!? Civilians will be **thrilled** to hear **that!!**

Should I put him in a **straight jacket,** Colonel?

Why do they keep calling you **"Colonel"?**

So when people see **Klinker** and **me** in **"civvies,"** they won't think they're watching an **old "Love Boat" re-run!**

Maybe **Father Mulberry** can help that poor troubled kid!

I don't know! **He has a bad problem himself!** He **drinks!!**

Yes, but **only** to **drown out** those **DEPRESSING VOICES** he hears!

What voices are **they?**

YOURS and **MINE!**

I **cannot** get the **memory** of all that **disgusting, rotting, stinking, mutilated carrion** out of my **mind ... !!**

That you **once saw** in **battle?**

No that I **just saw** in the **Hospital kitchen!**

Have faith, my Son! Remember that **God** is **watching** you!!

Always ... ?!?

Well, **maybe not** in the **FALL!** Then, I guess, He watches **"MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL"** ... like **everybody else!**

Today, I experience **PREJUDICE** for the **first time** since I have come to **America,** my Husband! Our **neighbors** say such **cruel** and **horrible things** about **other people** just because they **look STRANGE!**

What did they **SAY** about you?

Not about **me!! About YOU!!**

Honorable Husband .. I **miss** my **family!** Could you **bring them here** to **America,** please ?

Let's **talk** about it **next week!**

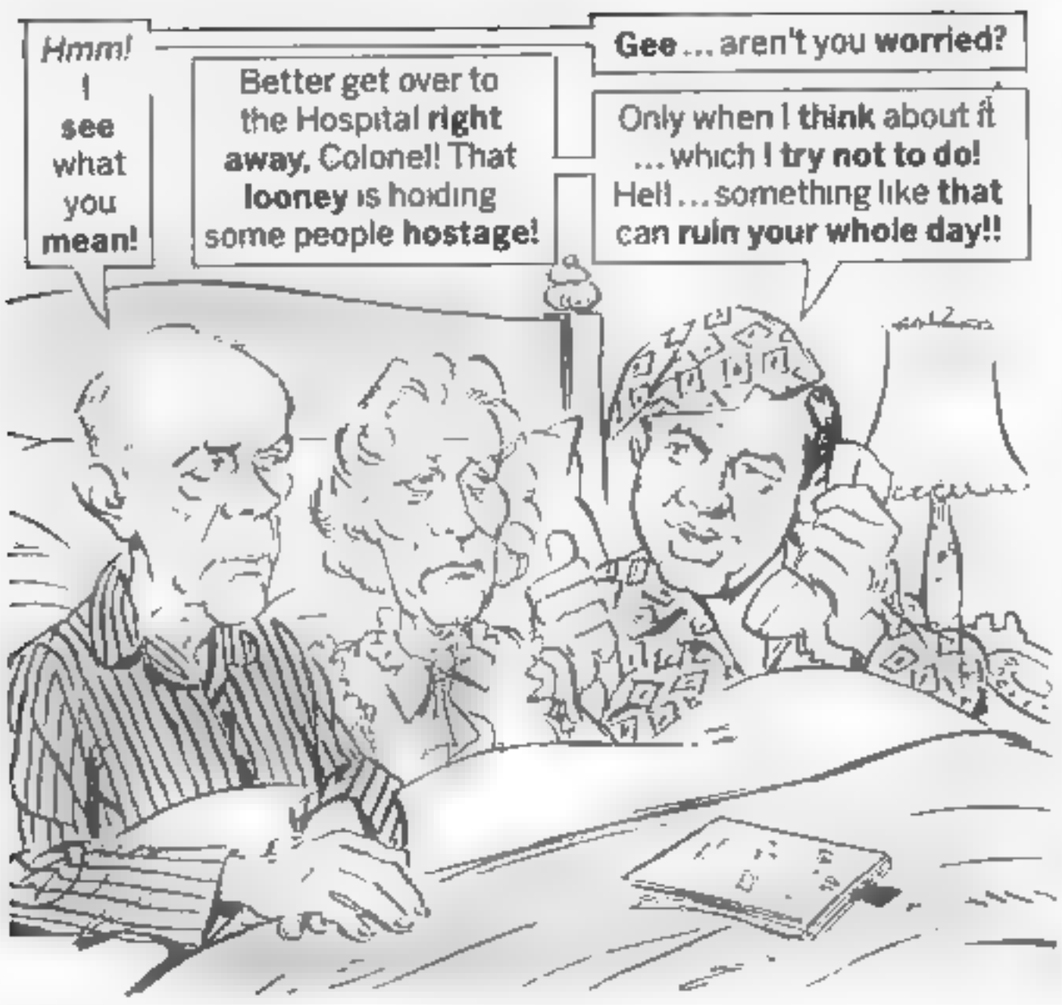
Why **then??**

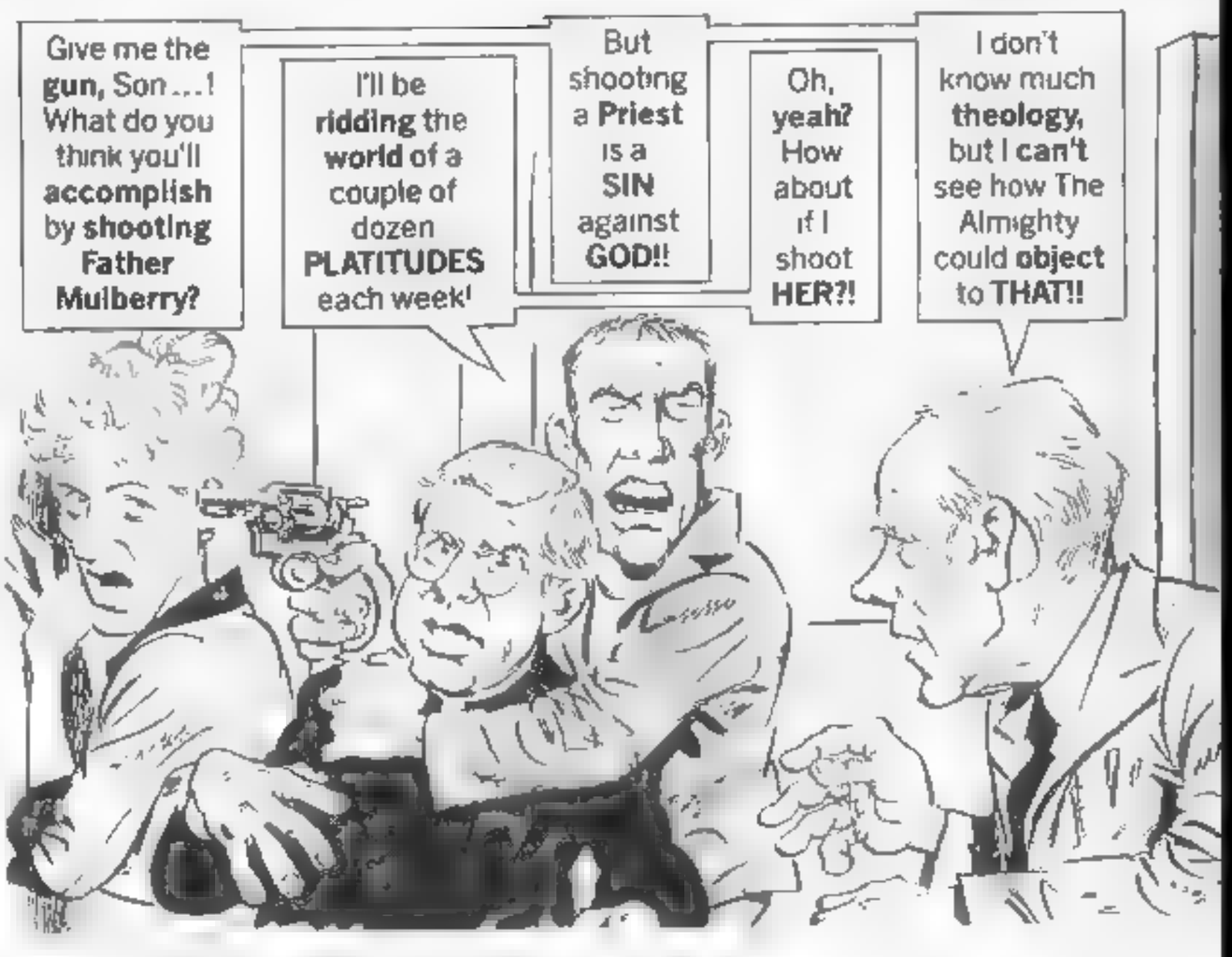
Because **problems disappear between weeks** on this show! Remember our **money worries** ? Or Father Mulberry's **hearing problem** ...? Or our **conflict** about you getting a **job** ? They were **here** one week, and **gone** the next! It's **"TV Magic"!** So— **forget** about your family .. and **let's make love!**

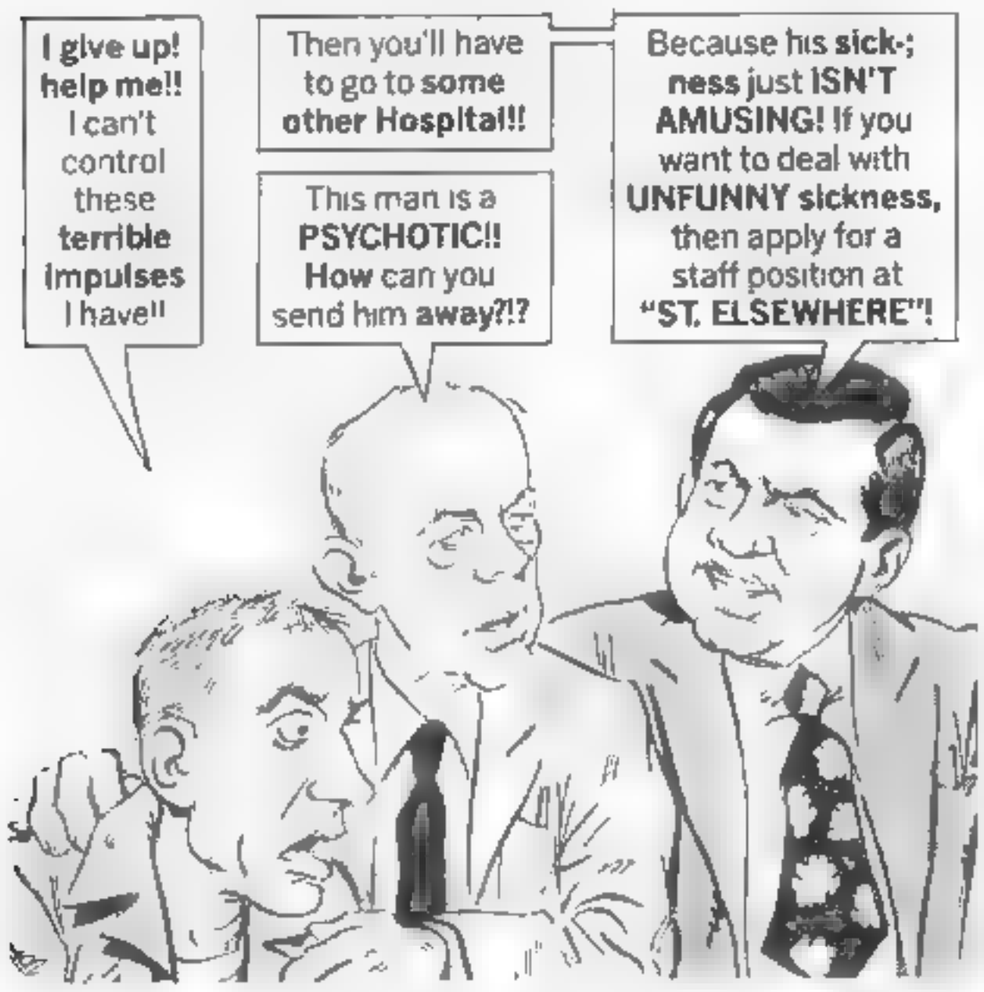
We do **that** next week, **too!** By then, "TV Magic" might **also** work on **headache** I have this week!

I'm **worried** about the **Hospital,** Milkdud !

I **know** how **dedicated** you are, Dear! But I **really hate** when you bring your problems **home** with you!

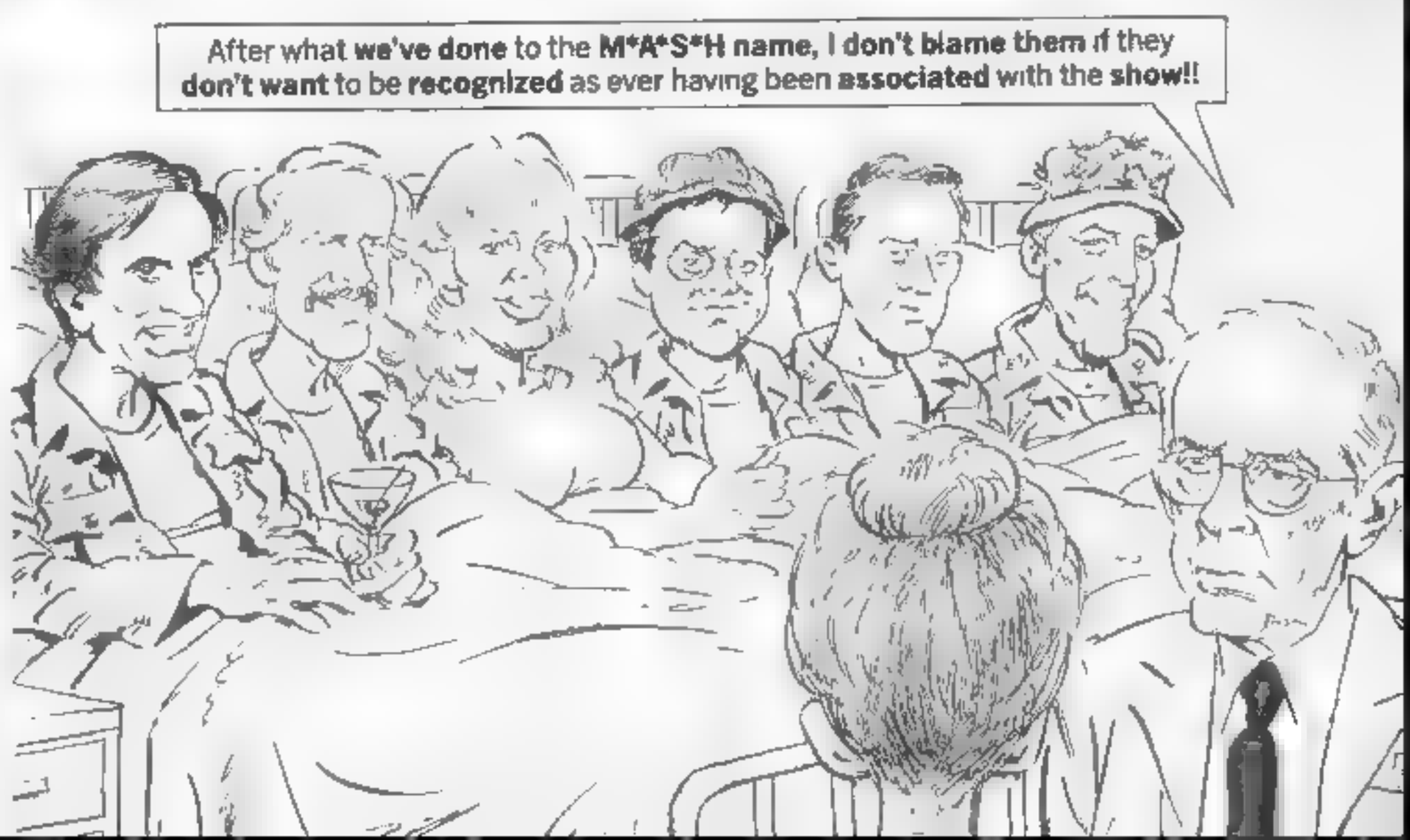

Hmm! I see what you mean!
Better get over to the Hospital right away, Colonel! That looney is holding some people hostage!
Gee ... aren't you worried?
Only when I think about it ... which I try not to do! Hell ... something like that can ruin your whole day!!


Give me the gun, Son ...! What do you think you'll accomplish by shooting Father Mulberry?
I'll be ridding the world of a couple of dozen PLATITUDES each week!
But shooting a Priest is a SIN against GOD!!
Oh, yeah? How about if I shoot HER?!
I don't know much theology, but I can't see how The Almighty could object to THAT!!


I give up! help me!! I can't control these terrible impulses I have!!
Then you'll have to go to some other Hospital!!
This man is a PSYCHOTIC!! How can you send him away?!?
Because his sick-; ness just ISN'T AMUSING! If you want to deal with UNFUNNY sickness, then apply for a staff position at "ST. ELSEWHERE"!

The NERVE of some people! Can you imagine a group of patients who DEMAND that we operate on them?!?
Well .. if they're Vets, then they're entitled to Medical Care!
Medical Care is one thing! These people want Plastic Surgery ...!!
Hmmmm! That sounds rather strange!
I'll go talk to them ...!

It's all right, Alum! I'll authorize plastic surgery for them all! I have to agree with them that they need it!


After what we've done to the M*A*S*H name, I don't blame them if they don't want to be recognized as ever having been associated with the show!!

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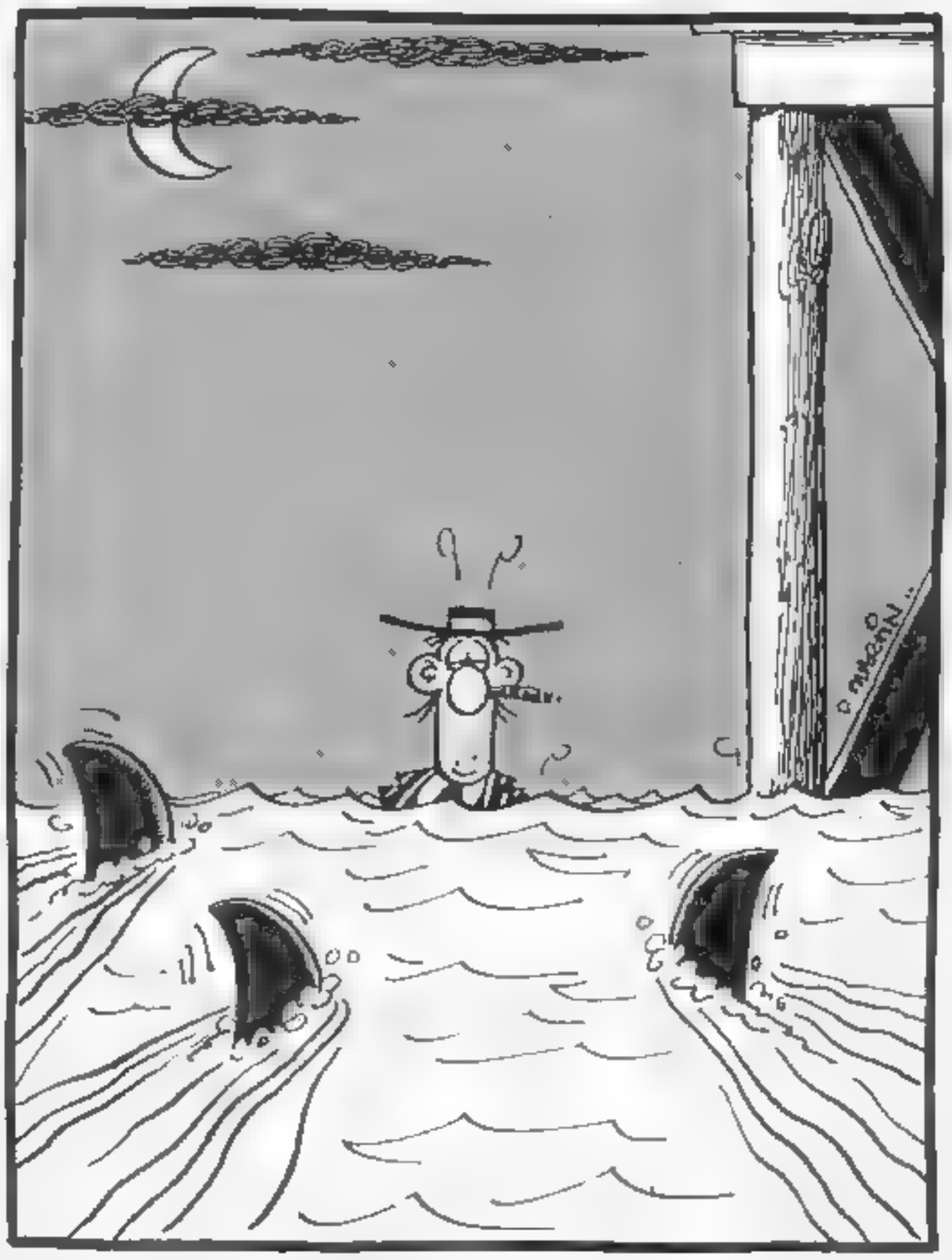

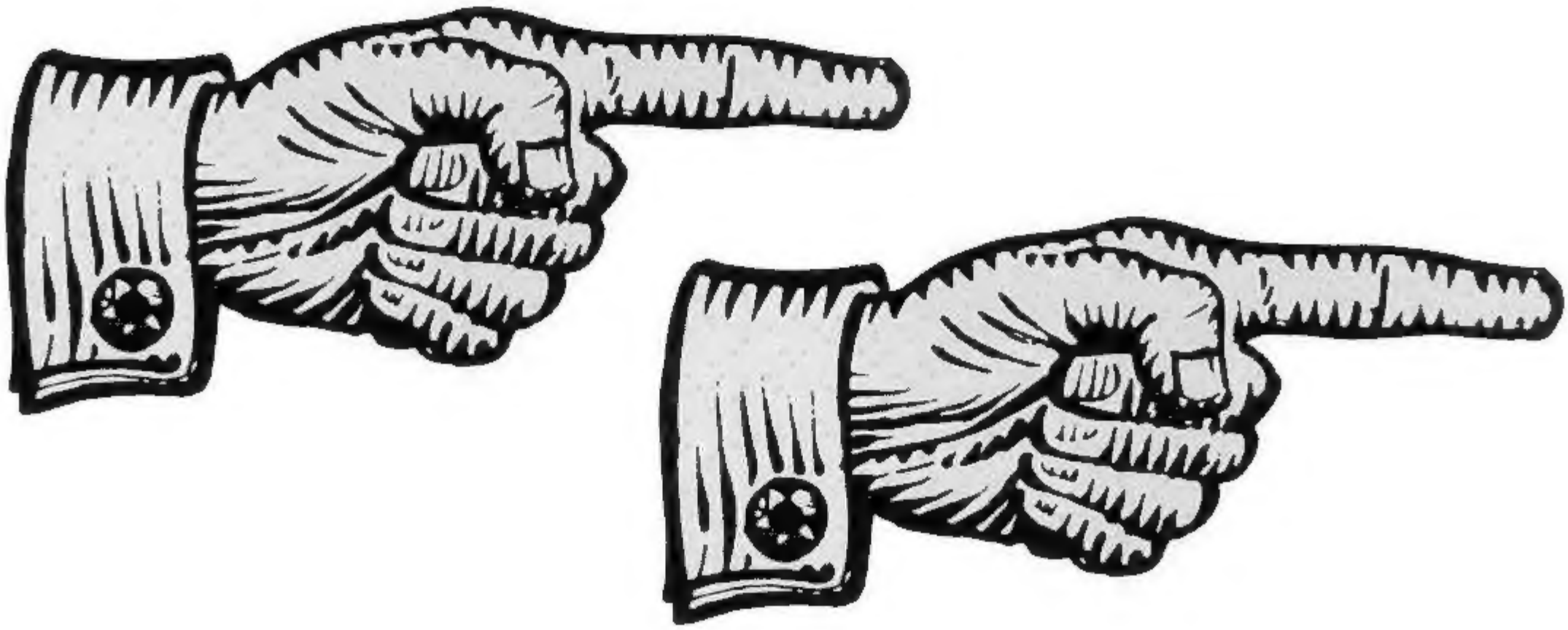

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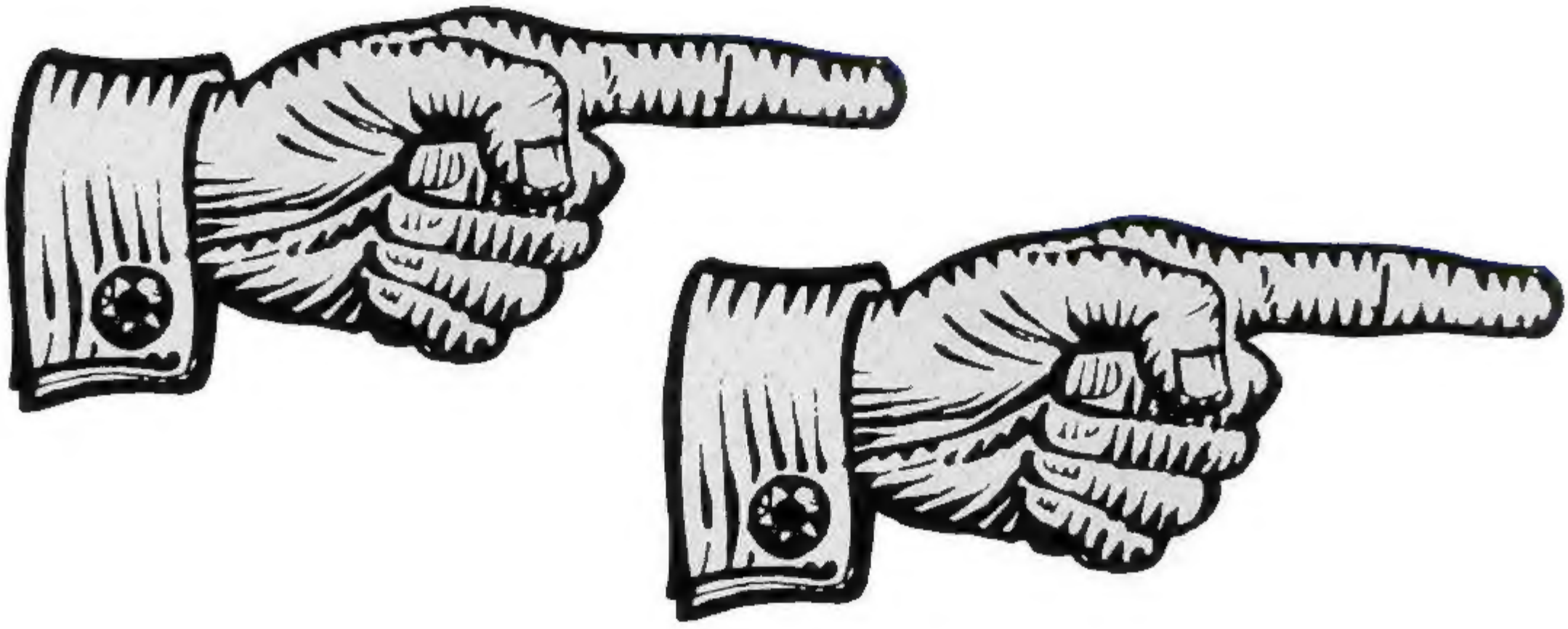

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HERE WE GO WITH ANOTHER RIDICULOUS

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A NUMBING CHILL GREETS LIBERALS NOWADAYS. IT'S CLEAR REAGAN DOES NOT SHARE THEIR VIEWS. HE FEELS FREE TO IGNORE THEM. THIS, THEY MUST SOON REALIZE.

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FREEZE.

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ANOTHER SCENES WE'D LIKE TO SEE

(THE FROG PRINCE)